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The grand opening of the remodelled Resource Centre at CHSS was a special occasion with music by the senior music class and treats by the hospitality class. The Resource Centre was officially opened when Audrey Carter, Chair of the Hastings and Prince Edward District School Board, cut the big yellow ribbon, accompanied by CHSS principal Christine Walker (left), and teacher/librarian Sheila Barry. *McClavey photo*

CHSS hosts School Board in remodelled resource facility

Madoc - Learning at Centre Hastings Secondary School has a new look. On Monday, Nov. 26, trustees of the Hastings and Prince Edward District School Board met in the newly renovated Learning Resource Centre and Gallery.

This Centre features 15 new computers, Winnebago for researching online, two new seminar rooms for smaller groups, as well as new carpeting, furniture, and circulation desk.

"The Resource Centre has become an important centre for learning in the school," said Christine Walker, principal of CHSS. "The students and staff are making good use of the new facility and the excellent learning opportunities it offers."

The ribbon was cut by Board chair, Audrey Carter, to officially open the new centre. She was assisted by Principal Walker, and Sheila Barry, teacher/librarian of the school. The celebration presentation included a comedic skit "Who's on First" performed by drama students Ace Piton and Victor Cooper, directed by drama teacher Kim Coulson; the senior music class playing "Jump, Jive, & Wail," "Southern Cross," and "Mr. Papi" directed by music teacher Shelley MacKenzie-Coates; the launch of the new CHSS website by students Jesse Smith and Michael Mezzatesta; and a gallery of artwork by CHSS art classes.

Special thanks were extended to plant maintenance manager Wayne Musclow, Brian Treanor of the CHSS Technology department, the Library Renovation Committee, the School Improvement Team at CHSS, the Friends of Centre Hastings, and the CHSS custodians for their contributions and commitment to the Learning Resource Centre and Gallery project at Centre Hastings Secondary School.

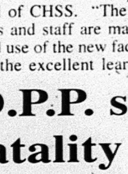
Guests at the ceremony also included Ron Fabian, chair of the school council, and other school council members, members of the Friends of Centre Hastings, former librarians and teachers, as well as parents, students, and members of the community.

O.P.P. seeking witness to fatality

Centre Hastings O.P.P. is looking for a man who may have been a witness to the fatal motor vehicle collision that occurred on the 15th of November 2001 on Highway 37, at approximately 7:30 a.m.,in the Municipality of Tweed.

The investigation has revealed that a man driving a southbound white pickup truck stopped at the scene of the accident shortly after it occurred, and left prior to police attending.

Police request that the driver of this truck contact Centre Hastings OPP and ask for Provincial Constable Trudeau.



The Holiday Season is fast approaching, with lots of parties to attend and folks to visit. Remember to have a designated driver when you go to celebrate safely. You don't want an accident to spoil the season. Arrive home safely!!

Centre Hastings O.P.P. hol media workshop at Two Lo

Madoc - Centre Hastings O.P.P. held a luncheon meeting with the media at the Two Loons Restaurant in Madoc on Nov. 23.

Representing the Centre Hastings Detachment at the workshop were Community Services Officer Darlene Eastman and Staff Sergeant and Detachment Commander Peter Valiquette. Special guest was Chief superintendent Chris Lewis, the Regional Commander of the Eastern Region for the O.P.P. Also attending for the O.P.P. was Bill Dickson, who recently acquired the position of Media Relations Advisor for the Eastern Region. Both Commander Lewis and Mr. Dickson are from the Eastern Region Headquarters in Smith Falls.

The Centre Hastings O.P.P. serve the Municipality of Centre Hastings, the Township of Madoc, the Municipality of Marmora and Lake Tudor, and Cashel, and the Municipality of Tweed.

Commander Lewis talked about the need for open and full communication between the force and the media, and wanted to know how the O.P.P. could more effectively work with the media in a way that was realistic and would achieve a trusting working relationship.

"I'm not just blowing smoke here," Lewis said. "If nothing else comes of this meeting other than we have got acquainted with one another than that's great. But it's important to know "who does what."

Recently promoted to his job as commander, Lewis said that he administers 30 detachments in Eastern Ontario, 19 of them being full-service while 11 are satellites. Most of his time is spent dealing with matters of budget and personnel, he said.

The area over which he has jurisdiction covers 64,000 square kilometres and contains 1100 police officers. The territory extends from Hastings County to Quebec and from Deep River, Bancroft and back down again.

The Central Hastings Detachment is responsible for protecting about 14,000 people and responds to approximately 5000 occurrences per year.

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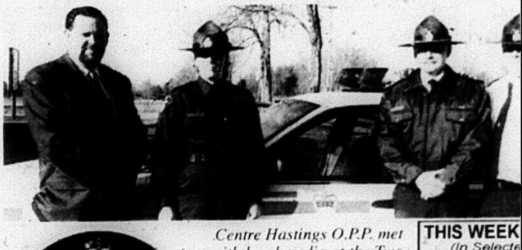

Centre Hastings O.P.P. met with local media at the Two Loons Restaurant in Madoc on Monday, Nov. 23 for a workshop luncheon. Pictured beside the cruiser are Eastern Region media relations advisor Bill Dickson, ,Centre Hastings Community Services Officer Darlene Eastman, Eastern Ontario Chief Superintendent and Region Commander Chris Lewis,Centre Hastings Staff Sergeant and Detachment Commander Peter Valiquette. *McClavey photo*

Man sought on warrant arrested

Centre Hastings O.P.P. report that 20-year-old Jeff Asselstine turned himself in on an outstanding warrant for assault. Asselstine was later released from custody, and is scheduled to appear in Belleville Court on Dec. 6 to answer to the charges.

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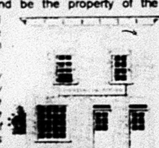

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Performance improves for Hastings and Prince Edward Board Students

Madoc - Linda Wilson had good news and bad news for the Hastings and Prince Edward District School Board trustees at the last regular meeting.

Wilson, curriculum coordinator for the Board, gave a report of the results of the annual province wide testing of grade three and grade six students which was conducted last May. These tests, called the E.Q.A.O. (Education Quality and Accountability Office) tests, evaluated the performance of all students in these two grades in Ontario in publicly funded schools. This was the fifth such testing of grade three and the third for the grade six level.

The assessments were based on the Ontario Curriculum which was introduced in September of 1997. The purpose of the annual assessment is to measure how well children in these grades are achieving against a standard set by the province in the areas of reading, writing, and mathematics.

The good news, Wilson told the trustees, is that the Hastings and Prince Edward Students showed significant increases in performance in all areas for both grade levels.

In the reading assessment grade three students showed a four percent increase in the percentage of students who are achieving at or above the provincial standard, up from 50 percent in 1998 to 54 per cent in 2001.

In the area of writing, these same students showed a seven percent increase in the percentage of students who were achieving at those levels compared to the 1998 data up to 52 percent from 45 percent. The greatest increase was in the area of mathematics where the improvement was a 15 percent increase in the percentage of students who were performing at or above the provincial standard. The percentage in mathematics rose from 49 percent to 64 percent.

At the grade six level the performance of all grade six students in 2001 showed a ten percent increase in the percentage of students who where achieving at the provincial standard or above in reading skills, up from 40 percent in 1999 to 50 percent.

The results of the writing assessment for grade six revealed a four percent increase in the percentage of students achieving at or above the provincial standards, up from 41 percent in 1999 to 49 percent in 2001.

Like the grade three students, the greatest improvement for grade six was in mathematics. Here the grade six students showed a 17 percent increase in the percentage performing at or above provincial guidelines. The percentage achieving at these levels rose from 33 percent to 50 percent.

The bad news is that at these levels, the Board students are still slightly below the provincial average in their reading writing and mathematical skills, particularly at the grade six level with the exception of grade three reading, where the Board students scored one percentage point higher that the provincial average.

In grade three reading the provincial average was 53 percent achieving at or above provincial standards, while for the Board the figure was 54. For grade three writing the Board scored a 52 percent against the provincial figure of 56 percent. For grade three mathematics, the Board percentage was 64 compared to the provincial figure of 65.

The figures for the achievement in reading at the grade six level revealed a slightly wider gap. In the grade six reading assessment, the provincial figure was 56 percent compared to the Board's 50. In grade six writing the figure for the Board was 45 percent compared to 54 for the province. In the area of mathematical achievement, the Board figure was 50 percent compared to 56 for the province.

Wilson added that this assessment is not used to rank individual students, but is just one indicator of where the students' strengths are or where there needs to be more attention paid to a particular area.

"This is to be used to compliment classroom assessment and to identify student strengths and weaknesses," Wilson told the members of the Board. "It is a tool to identify a pattern in performance, to give feedback to teachers, and to help teachers plan programmes which will increase the achievement level of the students."

Wilson said that there had already been an action plan drafted for further improvement in performance based on the results of the assessments. "Mainly there are three clear goals," Wilson said. "These are an increase in performance in reading from Kindergarten to grade 12 in our schools, and increase in writing performance in Kindergarten through grade 12, and also and increase in performance in mathematics in these same grades throughout the Board."

Three Oaks outreach in Madoc

Madoc - At the last regular council meeting of the Stirling-Rawdon Council, a motion was passed to support the White Ribbon campaign by declaring November 25 through December 6 as White Ribbon Days.

In making this declaration the council stated "Whereas the majority of women and men in our community are deeply concerned about the pressing problem of violence against women; and whereas the White Ribbon Campaign believes that most men want to make a positive contribution to ending this violence; and whereas our municipality wants to take tangible steps to raise awareness.... All members of Council and all municipal employees particularly men, are encourages to wear the White Ribbon during the White Ribbon days."

The White Ribbon Campaign is a campaign directed and organized by men to support the efforts of society and various organizations within it like the Three Oaks Foundation. The Three Oaks Foundation is an organization which provides support, counselling, and practical help to women in Belleville, Tweed, Centre Hastings, Marmora, and Stirling. It's is based upon the belief that it is a basic human right to live without the fear of violence. They have a 24-hour crisis line that can be accessed at 473-1976 or 1-888-275-0710.

Beaver Meadows Fox Hunt Roundup

It has been another tremendously busy month for the Beaver Meadow Foxhounds. New faces keep appearing and our longsuffering membership secretary is having a job to keep up with the influx of new additions.

Speaking as the Master of Foxhounds, this is just the kind of news that I like to hear. The Club is a very different one today, and this is largely because the people who are involved are a fun and friendly crowd who will do whatever they can to make newcomers feel welcome and give valuable help and advice wherever needed.

Whipping-in is a skill which takes many years to acquire and also involves a heightened risk to rider and mount alike. It may seem a fun and glamorous job as you get to gallop a lot and go where you like. However, this is not so. It is a very serious undertaking and the whips are under a great deal of pressure on a hunting day. They carry out a very important duty and I would ask that everyone in the hunt field give as much help and cooperation to the whips as you can.

We have some green whips now and they will need as much encouragement as you can muster for them, as very often it is a thankless task.

So when you have put your horse away after a day's hunting, remember to thank our whips as a lot of the enjoyment of members depends on their efforts.

Our young club, established in 1992, is doing really well. We have welcomed to our ranks a whole host of great people who are doing great things. It was a pleasure to see so many at the home of Linda Reidt on Sunday Nov. 4. We had 22 riders and around 10 to 15 on foot, a sight that Linda tells me she will remember for a long time.

It is hard to imagine that last year we only had nine mounted at that particular venue —how far we have come!

The Hunt Ball was a resounding success. The evening was cordial and fun and showed us all what we can do when we put our minds to it. Seventy-nine people attended, and I would like to thank everyone who played a part in making the evening such a terrific event. The food was excellent, the venue was very comfortable and it was a great feeling to have all our friends in the same place at the same time.

Now that the Ball is over for another year, it is time to look to the next event for the Beaver Meadows Foxhounds. Details will come later, but it is hoped that we will enjoy a Christmas lunch and social at the Killick Restaurant on Highway 7 in December. Tickets will be reasonably priced and the menu will be turkey or ham buffet with all the trimmings and a variety of desserts. The buffet is an all-you-can eat and there will be a certain "special person" attending with some deliveries!

We also plan to have an Auction Night which will most likely take place in the New Year. We have decided on this because we simply have too much to auction at the Hunt Ball. So get your thinking caps on and look for donations.

However, if anyone does feel they have something that they could donate to the Auction Night, contact me at (705) 653-0971, or Master of Foxhounds Gayle Killoran at (705) 295-6741.

The item does not need to be an object; it may also be a service.

In the meantime, there are still 40 places available in our 100 Club. Tickets are $20 per year and you could win one of three prizes every month. 1st prize is $25, 2nd prize is $15, and 3rd prize is $10. Even if you win your number goes back into the draw. Please contact me if you would like a ticket or if you know of anyone who would.

The hounds are doing well, and have had a hard time with the deer that seem to be in abundance now. I have seen evidence that more foxes and coyotes are around too. Indeed hounds marked a fox to ground last Sunday at Hilltop Drive overlooking Rice Lake. This is encouraging as it is a good sign that the mange is dying down and will allow us to enjoy some good chasing in the twilight of this hunting season.

We will also be introducing our latest additions, Legend, Lila, Legacy, Lily, and Landmark who are all very nice looking hounds. They will be going to the fox pens around January to start learning the "game."

Tally ho!

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Access Centre Board Expresses Concerns With Bill 130

The Access Centre for astings & Prince Edward ounties' Board of Directors ld a special meeting to re- ew Bill 130, the Commu- y Care Access Corpora- ons Act 2001, recently in- oduced in the Legislature Associate Health Minis- Helen Johns.

The legislation proposes gnificant changes to the CAC (Community Care ccess Centre) governance ructure that will see com- unity-elected Boards of rectors and Executive Di- ctors replaced with indi- duals appointed by the eutenant Governor in ouncil.

"While we are pleased to ve legislation that covers CACs, we are deeply con- rned that there is no place Bill 130 for the voice of ients, caregivers, or com- unity partners," said Board resident Robert Kitcher. This legislation will silence e voice of consumers and liticizes a key segment of e health care delivery sys- m. The main thrust of the gislation is the imposition a new governance struc- re with community-elected oards of Directors replaced ith five to seven govern- ent appointees."

Minister Johns referred to e findings of a government onsored PriceWaterhouse- ooper (PWC) Review of CACs as a primary reason r Bill 130. "While the PWC view did say some areas eeded improvement, the port also included key rengths of the CCACs," id Kitcher. "The report raised CCACs for achiev- g high consumer satisfac- on, responsiveness to di- erse client needs, innova- ve approaches to service elivery, and commitment to e identification and devel- oment of evidence-based est practices.

"The final recommenda- ons to the Minister were at the government should rengthen, support and in- est in CCAC's," said itcher. The scope of the WC review did not include e issue of CCAC governance structure. If standards designed to enhance accountability is the reason for this draft bill, these standards could easily have been introduced under the existing CCAC governance model. We have been asking the Ministry to provide specific legislation to guide access centers in our decision making.

Although CCAC's weren't given advance notice of the government's plan to introduce the Bill, the Ministry says it is interested in receiving feedback from CCACs. "As a board we feel very conflicted about working with the government to facilitate the demise of a critical link in the health sector," said Kitcher.

"Boards across the province feel angry, hurt, and disappointed about the way the government handled this. However, we reluctantly have agreed to work with the government to ensure that the new system best serves the public. We are committed to ensuring that residents of Hastings & Prince Edward have consistent and equitable access to the highest quality services. We also want to impress upon the government the importance of appointing new Boards that accurately reflect the diversity of the community and that clients are well represented."

The government plans to move Bill 130 through the House by December 13 with a second reading expected next week. "The time frame for the implementation of the changes introduced by Bill 130 is not known," said CEO Jackie Redmond. "There will be a transition phase lasting from the time the legislation passes until the designation of the new corporation. At the time of designation, the current Board and members of the Access Centre will be terminated and the new Board will assume responsibility.

"It is essential that as this process moves forward we don't lose the valuable contribution of volunteer board members across the province who have dedicated their time, energy and expertise into the evolution of this system over the past four years," said Redmond. "Volunteers have always played a major role in keeping the system grounded and in tune with the real issues of concern to communities by keeping a finger on the pulse of the community. Government-appointed rather than member-elected Boards may have more difficulty understanding and responding to community needs."

The Access Centre will continue operations as usual until such time as the Ministry directs a change. The local volunteer Board of Directors continues to assess the proposed legislation and its impact on this community.

"The Board remains firm in our commitment to this community and we have an obligation to continue to govern the Access Centre in the best interest of our clients until removed from our positions by the Ministry," said Kitcher. "We will continue to assess the legislation and its implications and we will keep clients, their caregiv staff, community partn and the public informed."

The Access Centre ordinates community n ing, homemaking perso support, physiotherapy, cupational therapy, diet counselling, speech langu pathology, social work, m tal health, provision of eq ment for home health, s plies and some drugs. In dition, the Access Centre ordinates all admission Long-Term Care Facili for the residents of Hasti and Prince Edward Count

C.H.S.S. News

By: Tyler Cembal & Scott Reid

Report cards were sent home with CHSS students on November the 26th. If you have any questions or concerns about the reports feel free to call the school at 473-4251.

Here are some events that are happening in the month of December in and around Centre Hastings. If you were one of the unfortunate ones that missed the Cabaret Everyman to Foster on November 22nd, you have a chance to witness some of the presentation soon. There will be selected scenes acted out on December 6th at our annual Christmas Arts concert. You will also be treated to performances by choral and the band at the concert, as well as a display of student art.

Enchanted Forest is the picked theme for the Semi-Formal dance being held on December 7th. It was sold out last year and students are looking forward to it again. The tickets are on sale now.

The Christmas auction is being held on December 18th. Already over $200.00 has been raised for it because of Stop the Bop.

Stop the Bop was a creative way for the students to donate money ahead of time and the annoying music would stop once the $200.00 was raised. The music was played during the breaks between classes and if a home room donated $10.00, then they could choose what song would be played in the place of the old one but, it would only last for a day and then it would go back to the original song, which was the Hanson theme. We hope to meet last year's total of $2000 with this year's auction. The money is donated to the 5 surrounding townships towards Christmas sharing. Students can bid individually or group together for the prize; most of the time a home room goes together and combine their money for the pizza party. Some home rooms are already talking about the bids and are excited.

And now for the best news of the week. The STUDENTS at CHSS have conquered the teachers in the Tug-of-War for the first time ever! Good job to all who tugged.

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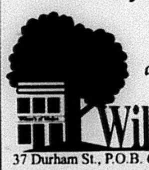

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Panel agrees no health risk posed by biosolids

MOH sees no evidence of problem

By Rolly Ethier

Warkworth—Over cries in recent months of environmental concerns from residents in the area about the use of sewage sludge on Northumberland farmlands, a group of major biosolid representatives has unanimously endorsed the controversial practise at an information presentation staged by the Warkworth Community Service Club.

A packed town hall attended the program that courted additional conflict as a result of the last-minute exclusion on the panel of Maureen Reilly, an avowed opponent of biosolids.

Support for the spreading of biosolids was wholeheartedly endorsed by officials of the Ministry of the Environment, the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Foods and Rural Affairs, the Ontario Soil and Crop Association, Metro Toronto Water and Wastewater Services and Azurix-Terratec, the contractor that hauls sludge from Toronto's Ashbridges Bay plant all over Toronto, including the Warkworth area.

Even the Medical Officer of Health, Dr. Alex Hukowich, declared that in the 30 years of so that farmers have been spreading biosolids there is no direct evidence to indicate it represents a health hazard.

"Since Walkerton there are a lot of additional concerns now about things that people were less concerned about previously," said Dr. Hukowich. "But Walkerton had nothing to do with biosolids. Walkerton had everything to do with an improperly constructed and an improperly sited municipal water supply. It had everything to do with maintenance of that water system. It had everything to do with failure to report test results. This is what Walkerton was all about."

Although "uninvited" as a guest speaker on the panel, Reilly attended anyway, and made her position of opposition clearly aware to the media covering the event.

"Using this format where there are no questions from the floor was designed to avoid critical scrutiny of the practise," said Ms. Reilly, an environmental researcher and University of Toronto professor. "It therefore resulted in being an "infomercial" in favour of biosolids.

Asked to explain Ms. Reilly's absence from the panel, Service Club spokesman, Dean Peters, explained that the committee decided to avoid a confrontational situation by electing to "uninvite" Ms. Reilly.

"It was our decision to present an information type program to hear the other side of the issue," he said.

Peters said he can understand why Maureen, a very passionate activist, is unhappy about being left off the panel "but she has been to Warkworth on two previous occasions and received extensive media coverage about her position at both the Schoolhouse Gardens' appearance and at a Service Club meeting."

In a previous statement, Reilly said she suspected her appearance was cancelled because Azurix-Terratec representatives threatened to pull out if he was invited.

Peters said it was the club's position to have most of the major organizations involved in the controversy speak to the issues, avoiding the emotion that surely would have been created by Ms. Reilly.

A 28-year veteran of the Ministry of the Environment, Bruce Hancock, of the Peterborough District Office, used a computerized screen for his presentation to outline the process through which the use of biosolids are regulated in the province. It is regulated under the um-

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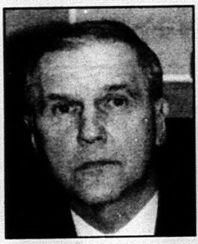
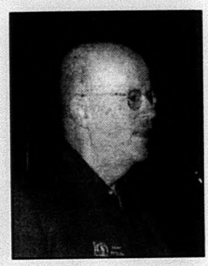


Dr. Alexander Hukowich, Medical Officer of Health: "At the present time I have no evidence there is any health risk from the agricultural use of spreading biosolids."

Mark Janiec, Azurix-Terratec: "Our company is striving to meet the standards imposed by the Ministry of the Environment."



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New York City disaster drive a great success

Local fire, police services will present $18,000 cheque

Peterborough Cty. - Local fire and police personnel have topped their intended New York City disaster fundraising goal by $8,000 and will be presenting an $18,000 cheque to American officials.

Through the sale of specialized ball caps and t-shirts fund-raisers had hoped to raise $10,000 but were overwhelmed by local support and are pleased to be able to split the $18,000 between the New York City Firefighters 911 Fund and the New York City Benevolent Fund.

Members of the Peterborough County OPP, Peterborough-Lakefield Police Service, Peterborough City Fire Department as well as Fire and Rescue Departments from across the County were involved in the fund-raiser.

OPP detachments from as far away as Chapleau made generous donations to the fund.

Members of the fund-raising committee were expected to be in New York City Nov. 29 to make the presentation. OPP Constable Brad Filman, Const. Mark Habgood of the Peterborough-Lakefield Police, Rick Barr of Ricart's Trophies and a member of the Peterborough Fire Department will travel to New York.

Azurix fined $184,000 for environmental infractions

Although an Azurix-Terratec spokesman underlined his firm's objective of staying within all environmental guidelines imposed by the MOE, it has been fined a total of $184,000 in recent months.

Mark Janiec, a biosolids specialist with Azurix, was a speaker on the information panel highlighting a special information presentation organized by the Warkworth Community Service Club Nov. 22nd.

A news release from MOE dated Nov. 8th says Azurix was fined $16,000 for using an uncertified operator to repair pumps at the Dundas Avenue Sewage Treatment Plant in Dundas.

The most recent incident occurred during a labour dispute Aug. 20, 1999. A high-level alarm indicated a problem with a pump at the sewage treatment plant. An uncertified operator that altered the flow of sewage into the treatment plant performed work on three pumps. The work was in violation of Ontario regulations.

This followed the company's Aug. 2nd, 2001 fine of $168,000, exclusive of the victim fine surcharge, when the firm pleaded guilty to 18 charges under the Ontario Water Resources Act and one charge under the Environmental Protection Act.

Act recognizes right to hunt, fish

Cobourg--The Ontario government has introduced legislation that, if passed, will recognize the right to hunt and fish for recreational purposes in accordance with the law.

The Heritage Hunting and Fishing Act fulfils the commitment made to anglers and hunters across the province by the Ontario government in the Blueprint document.

"Two and a half years ago our government made a commitment to outdoor enthusiasts across Ontario," said Northumberland MPP Doug Galt. "I'm proud to be able to say that we have kept this promise."

Every year more than 2.4 million people participate in recreational hunting and fishing in Ontario. These activities contribute more than $3.5 billion to the provincial economy and support more than 30,000 jobs.

"The Harris government will in the future, as it has in the past, set standards and policies to regulate hunting and fishing," said Dr. Galt. "This legislation, if passed, would mark the first time that the important role that hunters and anglers play in fish and wildlife conservation and habitat restoration has been recognized in Ontario law."

The Act also proposes to establish the Fish and Wildlife Heritage Commission. The Commission would provide advice to the Minister on a variety of fish and wildlife initiatives and promote increased public involvement in recreational hunting and fishing.

Panel approves use of biosolids

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rella of the Environmental Protection Act for Waste Management. It is not subject to the Environmental Bill of Rights legislation.

Applications for Certificates of Approval to have sewage sludge dumped on agricultural lands as a form of fertilizer are made through the local MOE office. The application form contains specific information on the source of the sewage biosolid, land location and owner plus supporting information including a right of use declaration by the landowner. Eventually an environmental officer conducts a site inspection before a Certificate of Approval is granted.

Hancock says there are 13 sewage treatment plants within the Peterborough district area and the MOE office has granted 57 site approvals within the region. He said all sites are governed by strict environmental guidelines and while staff responds to all complaints, investigations so far have not found any non-compliance incidents. He said non-compliance infractions could result in a Certificate of Approval being rescinded.

Janice Patterson of OMAFRA also provided information in support of the use of biosolids, mentioning several studies that have been undertaken that concluded that the application of sewage biosolids to agricultural soils, in accordance to the guidelines, has not resulted in increased risk to human and animal health.

Kiyoshi Oka, Senior Engineer for Metro Toronto's Water and Wastewater Services, said the municipality began to investigate alternatives to incineration of biosolid waste in 1994 and in 1996 launched a two-year pilot land application program including Terratec Environmental. A decision was reached through the input from a committee and an independent review involving health, environment, academic and municipal officials.

Oka pointed out that biosolids have been applied in Ontario for the last three decades with no known adverse effect on human health or the environment. He said the U.S. Environment Protection Agency has studied the use of biosolids extensively and has found no significant increases of metals or contaminants in the soil. Trace organisms have been studied, he said, but do not pose a significant risk. He said about $90 million has already been invested in testing for metals and pathogens on a regular basis in an effort to make sure the materials are within safe environmental guidelines.

"I believe we are one of the only municipalities in Ontario that regularly tests to see what the pathogen counts are," he said.

The Metro Toronto engineer said that contrary to what many people believe of a large industrial city like Toronto, less than seven per cent of the total waste flow come from industrial sources.

He said he couldn't deny that biosolids give off a foul stench, but that research is being undertaken to resolve that negative aspect of the spreading of biosolids in agricultural areas.

Speakers also included Mark Janiec, the Agricultural Specialist for Azurix North America, with head office in Oakville; Greg Kitchen, a dairy farmer from Guelph and an official of the Ontario Soil and Crop Association; and Dr. Tom Bates.

In an era of tight economic margins for farmers, Kitchen said biosolid treated soil has resulted in a very positive yield response in an extremely cost-effective manner. He said he uses liquid applications because he finds there is less odour to deal with.

Kitchen underlined the importance of using credible and experience operators to spread the materials to keep problems minimal.

"When you have 5,000 members in an organization like the OSCA, there is never unanimous agreement on any issue and biosolids are no different," said Kitchen.

"I think it is fair to say that people who haven't been in support of the program, it usually comes down to the operator—the person applying the material in your area.

To alleviate the strong odour from biosolids, said Dr. Bates, farmers should attempt to get materials under the ground within two hours of application.

In his view, Dr. Hukowich said he doesn't see any evidence of a deprivation in terms of human health in our communities.

"It doesn't mean that there may not be something minor going on or that there may not be the odd case of something that happens. It also doesn't mean you can't have some kind of circumstance that results in a particular problem," he countered.

He said that although there is an initiative exploring the development of a new process to deal with biosolid materials, right now there seems to be two options—for land application as an agricultural benefit or to dispose of it in our landfills.

Under that scenario, the decision appears self-evident.

Inquest showcases safety initiatives

Barrie—The Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs (OFSC) welcomed the opportunity to give broader public exposure to its long-standing commitment to snowmobile safety at a Coronet's Inquest recently in Midhurst.

Called by Chief Provincial Coroner Dr. James Young, the Inquest reviewed the tragic death of John Weel of Penetanguishene, who died Feb. 16, 2001, as a result of injuries received snowmobiling. The OFSC was called to speak to such issues as safety and education, alcohol policy and trail operations.

"The OFSC extends our most heartfelt sympathy to Mr. Weel's widow and family," said OFSC General Manager Ron Purchase. "We share the Chief Coroner's goal of ensuring that some good comes out of this tragedy by addressing any concerns which will improve recreational snowmobiling and help prevent other similar incidents."

Since 1993, the OFSC has mounted an annual snowmobile safety campaign, called SledSmart, which is recognized as the leading edge program of its

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The Intrepid Snowmob

A new law for snowmobilers

By Craig Nicholson

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During the past year, provincial law for snowmobiling changed significantly. This column isn't intended to argue the merits of the new law, called Bill 101, but to tell snowmobilers what to expect this season. I also want to help dispel any myths or rumours.

Essentially, Bill 101 has to components: trail safety and trail sustainability. The sustainability aspect includes provisions that require any recreational snowmobile to have and display a valid snowmobile trail permit when using a trail operated by a member club of the Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs. Enforceable by police agencies, S.T.O.P. and Conservation Officers, the provincial fine for failure to have a valid permit ranges from a minimum of $200 to a maximum of $1,000.

The new permit requirement applies to OFSC trails on both private property and Crown land, but exempts most commercial users such as licenced trappers, prospectors and bait harvesters, plus landowners, their tenants (or Crown land tenants) and immediate family members and Aboriginal people. Although not in place at time of writing, a limited exemption of some kind is also likely for certain ice fishermen. The permit does not apply to snowmobiles not using OFSC trails.

While Bill 101 involves government in the trail permit process, it does not give the government any control, authority or ownership of any snowmobile trails or privately owned land. It does not prevent any member of the public from undertaking other winter activities on Crown land, such as hiking, cross country skiing or snowshoeing, nor does it stop snowmobiles from using Crown land without a permit, except on OFSC trails. All of the revenues collected from the sale of snowmobile trail permits still go to OFSC clubs for their trail operations, with no amount being retained by the government.

One change in the permit process directly impacts permit buyers. Previously, permit buyers automatically received free OFSC benefits such as a magazine subscription, a trail guide and map atlas and a death and dismemberment benefit worth $1,500. While buyers may still receive these benefits, they are no longer automatic, but require the buyer to sign up for them at the time of permit purchase. Whose who forget to sign up will not receive benefits as they have in the past.

From a safety perspective, Bill 101 contains provisions that more closely align the Motorized Snow Vehicles Act, the Highway Traffic Act and the Trespass to Property Act. Together, Bill 101 and its supporting regulations increase both police enforcement powers and associated penalties. A safe rule of thumb for snowmobilers is to assume that all the rul applicable to automobile on now apply to snowmobile P while snowr directly impac licence and abi driving your view the comp Snow Vehicles www.e-laws.go next time rem Safe Rider this condition repor

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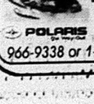

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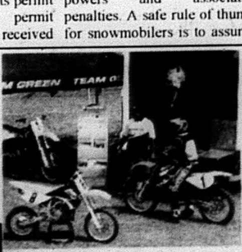

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Stars shine at P.S.T. tourney

Hastings - The Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers Association National League Executives Tournament (affectionately called the P.S.T.) was held Nov. 18 at Dodd's Lanes in Hastings and we had some very exciting moments in the process.

The Hastings 5 Pin Bowlers Association members did themselves proud on. Here are the results of the competition.

In the **President/Vice President** division Mary Tucker from the Tuesday Night Mixed League placed first; Tony Edwards from the Wednesday Night Men's was second and Ron Edwards from the Wednesday Night Mean's League was third.

Two in a row: Sharon Badgley claimed her second straight Secretary's win during the Nov. 18 P.S.T. at Dodd's Lanes in Hastings.

In the **Secretary's** division Sharon Badgley of the Tuesday Night Mixed League was first; Danny Williams of the Wednesday Night Mens League was in the second and Nancy Bell of the Friday Night Mixed was third. At the end of the third game Danny and Sharon were tied and it took a play-off to determine a winner.

In the **Treasurer's** category first place went to Marg Crate from the Thursday Night Ladies League; in second place was Shirley Bevan from the Monday Afternoon Ladies and in third was Doug Dodd from the Wednesday Night Men's League.

The three top winners go on to the next round in Hamilton this February. Congratulations to you all.

Here's a little background history: this is Marg's third straight time winning the Treasurer's category (1998-99, 1999-2000, 2000-01) and this is Sharon's second consecutive win as Secretary.

P.S.T. Stars: Mary Tucker (left) and Marg Crate celebrate after winning the President/Vice President and Treasurer's category during the P.S.T. showdown at Dodd's Lanes in Hastings. Both winners will head off to Hamilton in February for the next round of bowling action.

A double dose of Havelock bowling

Hastings - We are doubling up this week's scores because last week's results could make it in the paper due to lack of space. We will give you a brief listing of the scores for Nov. 12 and then the scores for Nov. 19.

Marg Hummel had games of 147 and 165 and a triple of 430, Eileen Young had 234, Marie Glover 241, Marg Greenly 199, Sandy Toms 183, Margo Masson 198, Carole Trumble 154 and 151 and a triple of 437, Heather Pflanzer had 199, Margaret Burns 138, Gerri Greenwood 188, Marie Kirby 138 and 131, Peggy Smith 156, Doreen Playne 207.

On Nov. 19, Camille Edwards (who was in last year's **Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers Association Team Championship**) had a great game of 189, Eileen Young (who is in this year's **AIL, American Income Life, Canada's Association Executives Championship**) bowled a 244, 194 and triple of 602, Marie Glover had 202, Evelyn Eldridge had 135, 130 and a triple of 359, Marg Greenly had a super game of 234, Margo Masson (who was in last year's **Bowling Proprietors Association National Classified**) had games of 228, 192 and triple of 558, Flo Taylor and Flo Duck each had 157, Heather Pflanzer had 194 and a triple of 550, Joan West with games if 131 and 132 and a triple of 382, Peggy Smith with a great 180 and Doreen Playne (who was in last year's **Hastings 5 Pin Bowlers Association Tournament of Champs**) bowled 196, 210 and a triple of 572.

Have a good week!

Monday nighters hit the big time

By Art Sels

Hastings - The Monday Night Mixed Bowling League shone bright this past week striking it big at the same time. Again, for some of us it was one of those nights when the corner pins were dancing around but would not fall. The players below should get a big pat on the back for their action.

High single performances at Dodd's Lanes Nov. 26 included: the "Champ" John Messacar 410, 287; Terry Chapman 279, 262, 220; Dave Harper 248, 217; Paul Cardwell 221, 182, 176; Glenda Glenn 220, 177; Dale McColl 213, 176, 168; Maureen Kostal 197, 182; Lyn Miller 194; Art Sels 193, 178, 167; Helen Ward 193; Helen Wilfrd 190; Lori Zapletal 187, 174, 171; Frigo Zapletal 187, 174; Isabella Sels 184; John Glenn 178, 175; Malcolm Pacey 178, 168; Don Henry 173, 165; Ellwood Sweeting 173, 155; Gerry Kostal 168, 164; Fran Heffernan 165, 159, 152; Bernie Heffernan 162, 153; Paul Collinson 161, 158; Carol Cooper 157; Blanche Collinson 154; Herb Cooper 151, 146, 142; Jane Henry 151, 140; Marjorie Wilson 149, 142; Katie Wilson 149; Fred Sauder 145 and John Gilmour 141.

High triples went to John Messar 874; Terry 761; Dave 610; Paul Cardwell 579; Dale 557; Art 538; Lori 512; Glenda 518; Frigo 512; Isabella 510; John Glenn 506; Malcolm 494; Maureen 490; Fran 476; Ellwood 475; Helen ward 471; Gerry 464; Helen Wilford 455; Lyn 453; Don 441; Herb and Bernie 439; Marjorie 419; Paul Collinson 416; Katie 414; Jane 411; Carol 409; John Gilmour 408.

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Jack Begg Fuel novices win big

Asphodel-Norwood - The Jack Begg Fuel Novice A's blanked Ennismore 5-0 and clipped All Saints 4-1 in recent Hastings & District League action.

The squad was quick to the mark against Ennismore Nov. 24 with Scotty Foss starting things off with an awesome pass to Shane Carthew who was up on the wing to get the goal. Steven Walsh helped Chris Bryett get the second goal.

A spectacular pass from Michael Loucks to Walsh set up the third goal then Dalton Charlebois, working the wing this game, added another with a bullet from the corner.

Foss and Loucks dug the puck out of a scramble to set up Carthew for a backhander to make it 5-0.

Congratulations to Matt (Joseph) Nelson for a spectacular game between the pipes and another shutout win.

In Peterborough Nov. 23, Foss opened up the scoring off a Walsh rebound. Loucks made it 2-0 off a nice pass from Matthew Zenner. Loucks made sure of the goal following the puck into the net on the play.

Foss and Walsh teamed up again this time with a reversal of roles with Foss shooting the puck out of the corner for Walsh to score.

On a first-time penalty shot, Zenner made a good attempt but had the shot repelled off the blocker.

Carthew wanted a piece of the action and made a great shot on net to help Walsh pick up his second of the evening.

The defence was solid holding the blue line with newcomer Brandon Kingston helping out as Carthew played the wing.

All in all, it was a recipe for victory.

Havelock intermediates open girl's season in strong fashion

Havelock - The Havelock Home Hardware Intermediate C's opened their Central East Girls Hockey League on the road in Uxbridge. After a scoreless first period, Uxbridge struck with a powerplay marker in the second and added an empty-netter late in the third to cap a 2-0 win.

It was the first girls hockey game played in Uxbridge and the two teams put on a good show for the fans.

In their second game of the young season, Havelock travelled to Cobourg and after a hard-fought battle Keri Lyn Keating, with a key assist from Julie Condon, found the back of the Cobourg net with 11 seconds left on the game clock giving them a narrow 1-0 win. This game was a goaltender's duel and Candace Toms earned the shutout.

On Sunday they were on the road again this time to the new Keeler Centre Arena in Colborne for a morning tilt. Colborne opened the scoring early in the game by Keri Lyn tied the score with an assist to Emily Kerr and Julie. Colborne went ahead 2-1 in the second but Keri Lyn came through again to tie the score. Emily earned her second assist of the game.

Halfway through the third Keri Lyn completed the hat trick with assists to Julie and April Dodd. Candace shut the door the rest of the way and Havelock left Colborne with a 3-2 win.

That night Colborne made the return trip to Havelock for a rescheduled game and went away with a 4-2 win.

This was an exciting game with lots of scoring chances. It wasn't decided until Colborne scored into an empty net with 15 seconds left to play.

Jen Kloosterman scored both Havelock goals with assists to April and Keri Lyn.

Suiting up for Havelock this year are April Dodd, Julie Condon, Vicky Nielson, Emily Kerr, Jen Kloosterman, Kate Moore, Kate Crothers Little, Leslie Ann Vandersteep, Candace Toms, Rosie McDonald and Keri Lyn Keating.

Cramahe Township residential break-in

The Peterborough/Northumberland Crime Stoppers need your assistance in solving a residential break-and-enter in Cramahe Township.

Between 4 and 8 p.m. on Aug. 25th a rural home on County Road 27 was broken into. Entry was gained through an unlocked door. Stolen was a Memorex television, an Aiwa stereo and an assortment of compact discs.

Anyone with information on the incident or any other serious crime, call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).

Spilling Pins on the *Trent Valley Lanes*

Club 55 Plus
(Nov. 16th)

High Singles Flat--Eric Tevendale, 285; Jack Gummer, 230; Shirley Mackie, 232; John McGlade, 223.

High Singles With Handicap--Eric Tevendale, 301; Jack Gummer, 278; Anna Heikamp, 273; Don Kerr, 272; Bill Meacock, 271.

High Triples Flat--Eric Tevendale, 675; Anna Heikamp, 580; John McGlade, 578; Shirley Mackie, 574; Marie Bullen, 549; Jack Gummer, 547.

High Triples With Handicap--Anna Heikamp, 745; Don Kerr, 738; Eric Tevendale, 723; Jack Gummer, 691; Lillian Platt, 687; Jean Collard, 684; Stella Savoie, 683; Lillian Adams, 682; John McGlade, 680.

Club 55 Plus
(Nov. 23rd)

High Singles Flat--Fayo Arpa, 250; Darryl Barth, 234; Bob Mackie, 246; Bud Sargeant, 231; Anna Heikamp, 215.

High Singles With Handicap--Fayo Arpa, 302; Bob Mackie, 289; Darryl Barth, 276; Anna Heikamp, 268; Barry Barth, 264; Lillian Platt, 263; Lillian Adams, 259; Bud Sargeant, 256; Ted Morris, 255.

High Triples Flat--Darryl Barth, 616; Anna Heikamp, 597; Lillian Platt, 572; Armin Hartwig, 568; Bud Sargeant, 564; Carl Dorge, 556.

High Triples With Handicap--Anna Heikamp, 756; Lillian Platt, 746; Darryl Barth, 742; Armin Hartwig, 733; Lillian Adams, 715.

Club 55 Plus
(Nov. 27th)

Team Standings--One-Pin Short, 28; Hazards, 27; Troubleshooters, 26.

High Averages--Carl Dorge, 189; Gord Gardner, 182; Gord Mead, 178; Marlene Harris, 189; Darryl Barth, 172; Shirley Brown, 166.

High Singles Flat--Carl Dorge, 301; Jack Gummer, 286; Robert Sutherland, 261; Anna Heikamp, 287; Trudy Runciman, 265; Marlene Harris, 257.

High Singles With Handicap--Jack Gummer, 339; Carl Dorge, 331; Gord Mead, 311; Trudy Runciman, 347; Anna Heikamp, 345; Betty Dorge, 302.

High Triples Flat--Carl Dorge, 708; Gord Mead, 678; Robert Sutherland, 640; Marlene Harris, 688; Anna Heikamp, 631; Darryl Barth, 569.

High Triples With Handicap--Carl Dorge, 798; Gord Mead, 786; Lloyd Bullen, 778; Anna Heikamp, 805; Marlene Harris, 793; Ruby Spinks, 784.

Bowlers Of The Month--Allan Runciman and Shirley Brown.

Santa chat: *The line-up was long and anxious to say hello to Santa and Mrs. during their Saturday evening stop at the Norwood Town Hall. The jolly couple their visit following a terrific evening parade that seemed to draw all of Aspi Norwood's 4,000 people to the village. Among those thrilled to meet the famous from the North Pole was Brandie Manning, 6, of Norwood.* **Photo/Bill Fr**

Golden agers strike the pins

Campbellford- Here are the Nov. 22 results from the Golden Agers Thursday Afternoon league at Trent Valley Lanes:

Team Standings - Screwballs 25 pts; Seekers 22; Ding Bats 19; Big Shots & Blue Jays 17; Heads & Tails 16; Busy Body 13; Slow Pokes 12

High Single - Ray Scarborough 264; Harry Cubitt 240; Bonnie Kennedy 238; John Koprla 223; Ellen Simpson 202; Pauline Hartwig 199

High Single W/Handicap - Harry 315; Ray 300; George Cross 263; Bonnie 270; Ellen 261; Connie Kirkendal 252

High Triple - John 626; Bonnie 607; Ray 580; Pep Lattion 533; Doreen Holmden 533; Pauline 499

High Triple W/handicap - Harry 743; Bonnie 703; Ray 688; Doreen 680; John 683; Laura 678

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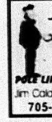

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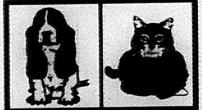

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Auction Sale
Thursday, December 6 at 7 p.m.
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Sale of antique and household items to include: pine wash stand; pine single drawer table; antique rocker; old tins; sterling and gold jewellery; 5 leg dining table; pine commode; drop leaf pine table; dolls; older dressers; sideboard; some coins; rugs; very old Hudson Bay blanket; glassware; china; crystal; antique well pump. Regular household items to include: dressers; lamps; dishes; glassware; kitchenware; bedding; books; microwaves; chairs; tables; hockey cards; baseball cards; upholstered chairs; beds, plus many more items. There are many older items in this sale. Plan to attend!
TERMS: Cash, Visa, Master card and Bank Debit card.

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On behalf of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch Campbellford Branch 103, I would like to thank everyone who participated in the 2001 Poppy Campaign. A special thanks to all those who made donations to the Poppy Fund, and to the volunteers, Branch members and Ladies Auxiliary who donated their time.

DOSANKO - We would like to thank friends and neighbours for the many acts of kindness, floral tributes, charitable donations and sympathy cards following the death of our brother Michael. Our sincere appreciation to the McConnell Funeral Home staff for their support and to Father Laberge for his prayers and comforting words. We would like to thank the staff at the Madoc Manor for the excellent care they provided Mike during his short stay, and thank you to the Catholic Women's League for the lovely lunch provided. A special thanks to Mary Barton, Marie Rosnuk and Mary Jane Shin. Sincerely, George and Annie.

Thank you
On behalf of the residents from Pathways To Independence we would like to extend a sincere thank you to the Marmora Catholic Women's League for hosting their annual Christmas party. Your kindness and generosity is greatly appreciated by all those who attended.

A SPECIAL Thanks to the Havelock-Belmont-Methuen municipality for the service award presented to me. Ray Outwater.

MEMORIAMS

SAUNDERS, Tanya Marie, April 10/84 - Nov. 30/98.
The pictures you left behind are just memories from a different life.
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"Written by Tanya Saunders".
Love Mom.

Campbellford enjoys Santa Parade

Mrs. Santa In Parade--Although Santa Claus was once again the featured guest for the annual Campbellford Santa Parade, Mrs. Claus wasn't too far behind. She also attended in one of the other floats with her little dog to keep her company. ***photo/Rolly Ethier.***

One of Best Parade Floats--*Once again this year the Allen Insurance float with its singing Chipmunks was one of the most distinctive in the Campbellford Santa ClausParade last Saturday afternoon. Judges awarded the float winner in the Best Peace Throughout the World Theme.* ***photo/Rolly Ethier.***

Dec. 15th Westben fundraiser

Santa has a Grand Piano For lucky raffle winner

Santa Claus doesn't normally have room in his sleigh for a six-foot-10 grand piano but he's going to make an exception for the Westben Arts Festival Theatre's Christmas Cabaret to be held at The Barn December 15th at 2 p.m.

Park in the Westben parking lot north of Campbellford off County Road 30 and be taken down to the lantern-lit Barn via sleigh (if the snow arrives by that time) or by wagon. Enjoy warm winter refreshments while being festively delighted by a wonderful performance featuring all of your favourite local performers.

Tom and Blaine Sharpe, Kim Coulson, Wendy Richardson, Tony Patton, and many others will be featured, including as well, an international guest or two. And, of course, Donna Bennett and Brian Finely will add their professional finesse to the program.

But the real Guest of Honour will have three legs and 88 "teeth". That would be the Kawai Grand Piano. It's the grand finale of Westben's Win 88 Grant Piano Raffle and one lucky ticket holder will be taking home the piano previously owned by Brian Finley, or, if the winner prefers, $10,000 cash to finish his or her Christmas shopping.

The event is Westben's primary fundraiser for 2001. All proceeds go towards Westben's future projects, which will include several exciting community, professional and educational projects schedule for 2002. As an example, the production will be staging A Christmas Carol in The Barn this time next year.

Other events include Requiem for a Millennium, Brass Amassed Workshops for area school bands in June and another season of outstanding world-class concerts at The Barn in 2002.

Admission to the Christmas Cabaret is by raffle ticket only—one ticket admitting two people. Tickets are $100 and are available at the Westben Box Office, 87 Bridge St. E. in Campbellford, Bennett's of Campbellford and MacLaren's IDA.

Other prizes include ticket's to Westben's "Valentine Soiree" on Feb. 16th; "Happy Birthday Heifitz!" on April 5th and Concerts at the Barn as well as a video of Westben's 2001 production of Samson, as well as T-shirts and other Westben souvenirs. Those attending are reminded to dress warmly and bring along your good cheer.

Gardening topic for Seymour West ladies

By Lois Brown

Shirley Little hosted the Nov. 21st meeting of the Seymour West Women's Institute and was pleased to welcome four visitors.

The roll call "A Hint For Wintering Plants" was answered some of the following ideas: pull geraniums and hang them upside down in the cellar; store dahlia toes in peat moss; when repotting slips, put a bit of newspaper over hole in pot; add a little pine cone; fill with soil and sprinkle a little cedar on top to prevent aphids.

The business portion was dealt with and a motion to donate money towards replacement of wheelchairs at the hospital was accepted.

Grace Wynn, Curator, had three more pages to add to the Tweedsmuir histories. She also gave a report from the district executive meeting. Members were asked for input regarding 4H scholarships and ideas for a craft course.

Gayle Fox welcomed guest speaker Glen Bennett. He and his wife Lois are Master Gardeners and well known for their work with the Campbellford/Seymour Horticultural Society.

Glen warned of the many insects that may come inside with your plants in the fall and suggested using sprays such as Malathion or Trounce.

Flowers serve more purpose in your home than just beautification, said Glen, as they purify the air. The palm, rubber plant, Boston fern, spider plant, Christmas cactus are a few good examples. He also demonstrated several ways to propagate new plants. With a begonia, for instance, cut across the veins of the leaf several times, lay flat on a bed of vermiculite, weighing down edges lightly and keep moist. New plants will develop at the cut areas.

He also demonstrated how to take a leaf spike from a snake plant, cut it into two-three inch pieces and push the bottom edges into the potting soil. A timely hint to prevent your poinsettia from dropping its leaves is to keep the plant well watered.

A birthday cake was served with ice cream in recognition of Phyllis McCulloch and Lois Bennett's special day.

A MapleView Traditio

Christmas in July? It was almost summer-lik afternoon and Marjory Thompson of Bannock history during MapleView Retirement Centr Christmas Bazaar and Tea with her outdoor festive crafts and collectibles. ***Winning draws at were Amanda Wilford, Bessie Couchman, Grac and Katie Wilson. Photo/Bil***

Two strong victories for bantam Horne

Asphodel-Norwood - The Norwood J.J. St tam Hornets looked good in two recent victorie off Immaculate Conception 7-3 then turning u perature to beat Eastern Conference Centre Hast ies 5-4.

The win over I.C. kept the team's win streak Dave Andrew and Sam Chung (2) each findin of the net for the first time this season. Also sc Ray Bradley, Josiah Olver (2) and Philip Darri

Kyle Moore, Chung and Darrington each h sists with single helpers to Alex Matthews an nelly.

The win over the Huskies was a very solid Norwood jumping out to a 3-1 lead before st two quick goals early in the third.

The team got a great boost with the retur Main, Kevin Gourley and Mike Sawyer who v shelf with injuries. There was some bad news Hebor lost to the team for a month with a frac suffered at school.

Philip Darrington fired in two goals continu streak that has produced 16 points in the last f Josiah Olver and Gourley also scored. Ry Matthews and Darrington earned assists.

OBITUARY

Winnifred Joyce Cobbing

Winnifred Joyce Cobbing died Nov. 15 ough Regional Health Centre at the age of 94 of a fall.

Predeceased by her husband Harry in 197 was the second of five children of Algerno Clark (nee Howard), both of Bath, Somerset where Winnie was born in 1907.

Winnie came from a line long of farming s County and later she and Harry might be rem having farmed in the Warkworth area, foll emigration to Canada in 1954.

She was raised, however, by an aunt and u don, England from the age of about eight and Polly and Fred her true parents. Fred manag of a grocery chain and Winnie developed a las in retail work from that period, while fostering music in studying the piano for which she h talent.

She and Harry married in 1932 and had t John, Ray and Terry, all in Canada, as are her children, Janet, Linda, Diane and Michael, and h grandchildren.

Inquest showcases snowmobile saf

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kind. SledSmart has strategically targeted each of the high-risk behaviours that studies identify as the major contributing factors to snowmobiling injuries and fatalities, especially among males between 16 and 45.

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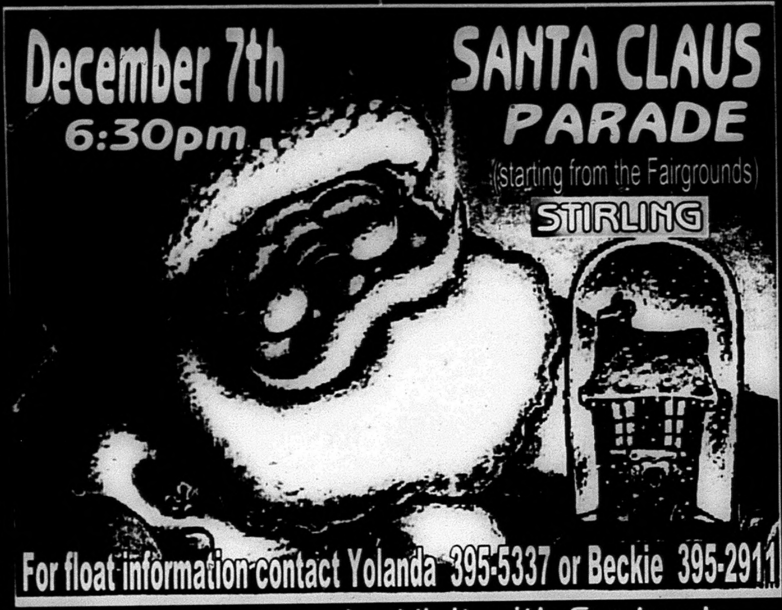

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Cooper Wild Kids atom girls hockey team still on a winning streak.....

The Cooper Wild Kids Atom Girls Hockey team travelled to Lindsay on Saturday, Nov. 24 to play the Lindsay Atom B Team. As 11:00 a.m. approached and we only had 8 girls present, we thought we were in for our first loss in six games, but the girls were determined to keep their streak going. Early in the first period Brittany Gray scored, assisted by Celeste Bonter. This was Bonter's first game back from an injury in August, welcome back Celeste. In the second period Gray popped two more goals in giving her a hat trick. The final score of the game was 3-0 in favour of Cooper, thanks to some outstanding goaltending by Lindsay Black.

Sunday, November 25 set the scene for another home game for the girls. They played against Port Hope. The girls were a much stronger team then Port Hope and showed great style by passing and setting up plays. They dominated the play throughout the entire game. Goals were scored by Andrea McAlarey (3 - hat trick), Katelynn DeClair (2), Erin Hennessey (1), Ragan Danford (1), Cally Langridge (1) and Brittany Gray (1) with assists going to Lacey Burkitt (2), Jocelynne Hudgins (1), Andrea McAlarey (3), Ragan Danford (1), Melissa Martin (1) and Celeste Bonter (1). The final score was 9-2 in favour of Cooper. The girls showed great sportsmanship and the parents from Port Hope actually commented on what a great team we have, and what a great coaching staff. You have made us very proud, keep up the good work.

Our next home game is on Sunday, December 9 at the Madoc Arena at 5:00 p.m. against Belleville. Hope to see you there!

Highlights: This week in the House of Commons

Highlights this week include:

Government tables amendments to Anti-Terrorism Act (Bill C-36): "This legislation will help to protect Canadians against terrorism," said Larry McCormick, Member of Parliament for Hastings-Frontenac-Lennox & Addington. "The changes the Government of Canada has tabled clarify and safeguard the rights and freedoms of Canadians," Mr. McCormick added. After a thorough study by Senate and House of Commons committees, the government tabled changes that include sunset clauses to the preventative arrest and investigative hearing provisions. As well, requirements will be made for annual reporting on arrests and hearings. Other changes will ensure that protest activity will not be considered as terrorist acts, and an interpretive clause will clarify that the expression of political, religious or ideological beliefs is not a terrorist activity. "While Canadians want special measures to counter the threat of terrorism following September 11, we also want effective legislation that balances bringing terrorists to justice with the protection of our civil rights," Mr. McCormick concluded.

Larry McCormick attends Canadian Western Agribition in Regina: Parliamentary Secretary Larry McCormick represented the Government of Canada this week at Agribition. The event attracts more than 140,000 visitors annually is one of Canada's largest livestock shows. Among the many dignitaries and buyers Mr. McCormick met was a delegation from the Ukraine who is studying beef and forage production in Canada, German bison buyers and Mexican livestock buyers. "It is an honour to represent Canada at an event of this kind," said Mr. McCormick, MP, Hasting-Frontenac-Lennox & Addington, and Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food. "Our sponsorship assists Canadian producers and marketers to showcase Canada by bringing international buyers from around the globe to meet and view our suppliers and livestock right here in Canada," noted Mr. McCormick.

Correction

There is a correction to the story in last week's issue of the Madoc Review article "Kate's Place features goat milk products kind to skin." The last name of the agent for the First Genesis goat milk products was spelled Derret. The correct spelling is Derrett. Also in the article it was stated that Karen and Maurice Bradley of First Genesis Farm had the exclusive rights to the use of the Calvin Klein fragrance for their "Obsession" soap. This is incorrect. The exclusive rights belong to the supplier from whom they obtain the oils to make the soap.

O.P.P. Report

Impaired driver

On Nov. 24 Centre Hastings O.P.P. were called to a Madoc Township residence in response to a party being out of control. Police attended the residence, and as a result of the investigation, Robert McCaffery (55) of Madoc Township was arrested and charged with impaired driving, and driving with over 80 mg of alcohol in his blood. He was released from custody and will appear in Belleville Court on Nov. 29.

Marmora man faces numerous charges after domestic incident

A 31-year-old Marmora man faces charges of theft of an automobile, impaired driving, driving with more than 80 mgs, dangerous driving and threatening. The charges stem from a domestic quarrel that occurred in the Village of Marmora. The accused (whose name is not being released) was arrested after taking the neighbour's car and driving recklessly through the village and crashing into some rocks and a tress in Memorial Park. He is scheduled to appear in Belleville Court on Dec. 19 to answer the charges.

Man injured in ATV incident

A Springbrook resident received undetermined injuries after he lost control of his 4-wheeler. 35-year-old Jim Norman was riding his ATV on the trails near Sills Road in the Municipality of Centre Hastings. Norman was taken to Belleville General Hospital. The cause of the accident is being investigated.

Marmora Man Faces Numerous Charges

On Friday the 23rd of November 2001 at 8 PM Centre Hastings officers were called to a residence in response to a male damaging property in a residence.

When police attended the residence the suspect had fled from the residence in a stolen vehicle.

The stolen vehicle was driven into rocks and treesin the Municipal Park and abandoned.

The suspect was located a short time later at a near by residence Bernard Coe (31) was arrested and charged with impaired operation of a motor vehicle, driving with over 80 mg, dangerous operation of a motor vehicle, utter threats, and theft over $5000.

Coe was released from custody and will appear in court on the 19th of December 2001.

Tweed Man Charged

On the 24th of November 2001 at approximately 2001 at approximately 1:40 a.m. Centre Hastings officers were called to attend a residence in the Municipality of Tweed.

As a result of the investigation Jeffrey Ingram (19) of Tweed was charged with possession of a banned substance and breach of recognizance.

He was released from custody and will appear in Belleville Court on the 10th of January 2002.

A small amount of marihuana was seized.

Charges laid in Trans Canada Trail accident

The Centre Hastings OPP have concluded their investigation into an accident that occurred on the Trans Canada Trail in Tweed. The accident occurred on Sept. 30, when a car travelling along the trail struck a group of ATV riders who were stopped for lunch. Charges of Dangerous driving, failing to remain and trespassing have been laid against 42 year old Patricia Watson of Tweed. Watson is scheduled to appear in court on 20 December 2001 to answer the charges.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I read with interest two articles in the November 24 edition of the Madoc Review. One titled,"Car rollover sends youth to hospital" and "Fatal crash kills 83-year-old man." In both stories it would appear that the vehicles were at fault in the crashes, e.g., "The westbound vehicle left the roadway and rolled into the south ditch..." and "The Grand Am then crossed Highway 62 and came into contact with the southbound Ranger."

I find it hard to believe these vehicles managed to cause the circumstances that resulted in the fatal and non-fatal injuries.

I am a student of driving. I have made a study of the art and science for more than 30 years. I've taught racing drivers, police officers, cab drivers, emergency vehicle drivers, university students, seniors and all those who fit in between.

I am a keen observer of the driving environment. I watch other drivers, scrutinize highways and secondary roads for potential hazards, read road signs, check out the pixel boards on the 400 series multi laners and scan constantly for police presence. I note the type and condition of vehicles we drive. I do this not to be a model citizen but because it's a fascinating study.

Inevitably when training drivers I get drawn into interesting, and many times, intense discussions about the issue. I'm constantly amazed at the misconceptions and misperceptions that surround an activity that is such an integral part of our daily lives. I believe this is a reflection of how little we know or want to know; how little we credit the complexity of the task or how strongly we would object to any legislation construed as limiting our access to driving. These are not criticisms by any means - just observations.

These misconceptions are manifest in reports and stories describing vehicle crashes and collisions. Language is a powerful indicator of our attitudes.

Allow me to elucidate (learned this fancy talk from journalist Andy Fotheringham!). From community and national newspapers in the past month I have read: "A northbound vehicle entered the west ditch and struck the tree, wrapping around it" ; "...was the result of a single vehicle losing control and shearing off a hydro pole..."; "A vehicle struck the rock cut and rolled..."; "A 2001 Aztec was traveling west overtaking traffic when a second westbound vehicle pulled out to pass. The Aztec attempted to avoid the other car lost control and rolled into the ditch."; ..."the car appears to have spun..."; and, a few minute ago, on the radio, "...car spun out blocking the westbound lane..."

Amazing. I know major advances have been made in the technology of cars and trucks over the past 20 years. But, vehicles capable of performing these feats boggle my mind. I'm convinced that vehicles sitting in driveways, parked at a meter or in a mall parking lot just kind of sit there and are not a menace to anything or anyone.

Now, put a driver behind the wheel with little or no training and suddenly the picture changes.

Vehicles can't enter ditches, shear off hydro poles, strike rock cuts, spin out or pull out to pass. They have to be driven into these situations by you and I. They are incapable of performing any task until instructed or guided by us. We drive them into ditches, hydro poles and rock cuts because we were never taught how not to when we qualified for our drivers licenses.

A couple of trips around the block and parallel parking practice does not prepare us to deal with an emergency. We don't learn what to do when weather deteriorates, when a tire blows out or when another driver loses control in front of us.

It would seem it's easier to blame the vehicles, highways, weather, other drivers, transports and almost anything else. Otherwise we would have to admit we are woefully ill prepared to perform the complex task of driving.

This state of affairs exists because it seems we are reluctant to take responsibility for our own well being.

Let's put the "blame" where it should truly rest: on drivers not vehicles.

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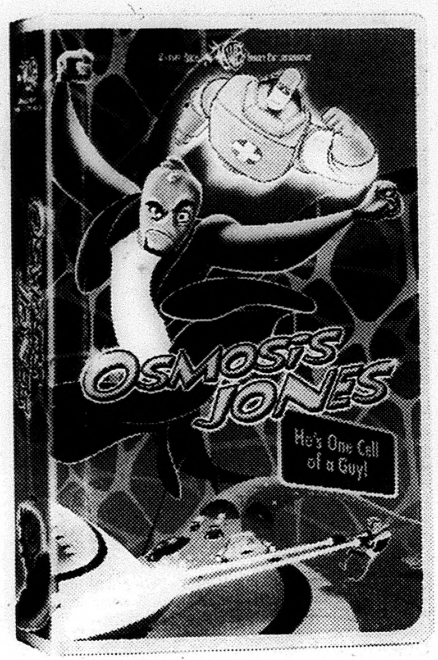

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The Santa Claus Parade took place without a hitch and clear skies and mild weather made sure Santa arrived on time. The folks in Madoc lined the main intersection and the downtown streets to await Santa's arrival, and as usual Santa and the elves did not disappoint. No matter how bad things get, Santa's arrival brings joy. **M. McClavey photo**

Santa Claus pleased with warm reception in Madoc

Madoc - The Madoc Santa Claus Parade is over for another year and it can be said that the crowd at the parade site in downtown Madoc had a good time in excellent weather. Okay, to be more perfect, there might have been a little bit of the fluffy white stuff descending on the parade viewers and participants, but nonetheless everyone seemed to be having a good time. Thanks to Jim Chamberlain for his excellent commentary as MC during the parade. Everything ran smoothly, and a jolly Santa and his merry elves arrived right on time, and were happy to be in Madoc despite the gruelling itinerary they have to keep this time of year. After the celebrations here Santa and the elves will take a little rest before their scheduled stop in Stirling on Dec. 7. And of course, they are preparing for the really big night —Christmas Eve!

After the parade, which contained some lovely floats and the ever-popular Shriners, Santa descended from his sleigh and went to the Kiwanis Centre where he met with the children and heard their requests for Christmas. While this was taking place, auctioneer Boyd Sullivan helped raise funds for the Central Hastings Support Network by selling items generously donated by local businesses. This auction was the 2nd one in support of the Network.

The following people contributed to the success of this fundraising effort: Wilsons of Madoc (Garden Flag and stand), Madoc Dairy (Christmas Tree voucher), Whitley Insurance (two smoke detectors), Family Auto Sales (Christmas Tree), Walmart (stocking and tree skirt), Diane Woodward (hand painted Christmas ornaments), Craig's Car Clinic (free rust proofing), TimBr Mart (Christmas Tree), Madoc Book Binding (gift certificate), Newman & Oliver Insurance (ceramics), Northern Ceramics (ceramics), One Stop Butcher Shop (gift certificate), Foley's Flowers (table centre piece), Downey/Empey Lumber (Christmas Tree), Appleton's (gift basket), First Choice Video (wreath), Ivanhoe Cheese (cheese basket), Two Loons Dining (Christmas Tree), Danford Construction (wreath), Treasure Trove (basket), Pitts Landing (table centre piece), McDougall's Insurance (Christmas Tree), Darlene Walmsley (swag & wreath), Madoc Home Hardware (wreath), Saws & Such (two hand painted saws and a door hanging), Studio 237 (gift basket), Town & Country Restaurant/Subway Tree), Nancy L and Gifts (bas IGA (Christ Popadop's Res certificate), Eld (gift basket), N less phone), Ch ral Design (pla chanical (Chri McBeath Bro Bonter Concr Harold Rams (Santa), Bus (Christmas Tre

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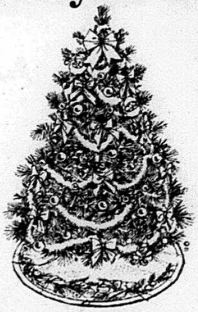
Madoc Kiwanis place Angel Tree for needy in T.D. Bank



Madoc - While they are preparing for their own Christmas celebrations, the residents of Madoc and surrounding area have a wonderful opportunity to contribute to help those in need in the community, thanks to the efforts of the Madoc Kiwanis Club.

The Club has put up an Angel Tree in the Toronto Dominion Bank. This tree, which is covered with paper angels, is a means whereby toys and other items are collected and distributed to families in need. This is an excellent way to extend your gift giving this holiday season.

To participate in this drive, simply go into the bank and choose one of the angels. On each angel is the description of the child you are giving to, including the age, gender, and in some cases, the size of the child. When you have purchased an appropriate gift for the child you have selected, return the gift to the bank wrapped with the angel taped to it, and place it under the Christmas Tree set up in the bank.

Kiwanis member Don Walsh is in charge of making sure that the gifts are collected. Bank employee Mary Smith sees to it that the tree always has a good supply of angels on it.

Those generous people who donate gifts have until December 15 to select their angel and return their gift to the TD Bank. The gifts will be distributed to the families registered with the Kiwanis Club on Thursday and Friday, Dec. 20 and 21.

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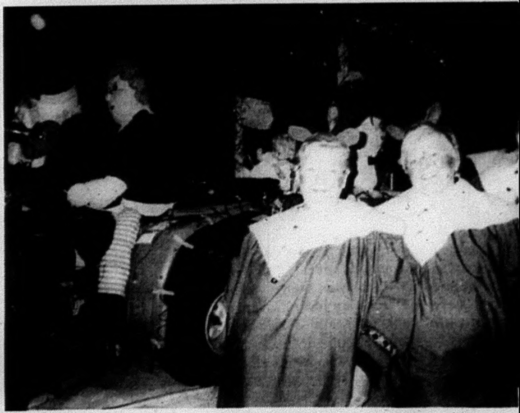
Marlbank Man Found Intoxicated in public

On the 30th of November 2001 at 4:30 PM Centre Hastings officers received a call of a man making threats in the Village of Marlbank in the Municipalityof Tweed.

Officers attended, and as a result of the investigation Dwight Laraby (48) of Marlbank was arrested and charged with being intoxicated in a public place.



These happy Santa's helpers were attending ATV Claus couple which we gaily decorated float in the Madoc Santa Claus parade on December 1. days they are Royal Canadian Legion Branch 363 members (l.to r.) L Susan Kremer, and Joyce Ramsay. Terrific smiles! **M. Mc**

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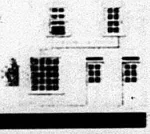

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Centre Hastings launches new improved web site

On Nov. 30, Centre Hastings officially launched its new web site. This site is an exciting addition to the Municipality of Centre Hastings, because it is both informative and visually pleasing.

The work of beginning a new website began in May and was completed thanks to the efforts of municipal clerk Doug Parks and Councillor Larry Mitz who worked with two local website companies, Tanapics and Websites.

The Municipality of Centre Hastings expects big returns on this effort to extend their virtual boundaries. Even before the launch date, the Centre Hastings web site had received 1124 hits from all over the world, "including Romania, Taiwan, and Russia."

One important feature of the new site is the ability of local businesses to have a web site within the Centre Hastings site. This extends the reach of these businesses, some of whom have already benefited from this feature.

The virtual tour of the Madoc is very good, and all the photos on this site are excellent. Shortly after the Santa Claus Parade the photos of the participating floats and other entries were up on the site.

Entering the site brings you to the main page where current activities are posted. Currently (as of Dec. 4) the photos of the Santa Claus Parade and the recent Remembrance Day Services are there.

Also there is an invitation to become a member of the Centre Hastings Medical Centre and the places to pick up the forms to do so.

At the municipal offices on Nov. 30, where a modest but friendly launching took place (I thought launchings traditionally involved champagne) it was mentioned that the message to prospective physicians had not produced the hoped for positive response in attracting much needed doctors to the Madoc area. Since the area is now officially designated as "under serviced" by the Harris government, and especially so with the coming retirement of Madoc's Dr. Cliff Derry in July, council is hoping that this new site can be effectively used to find a replacement.

Good shots of current and past events in the municipality add a great deal of interest.

Incorporated into the site is a list of businesses and organizations who have recently completed contact pages and website links. These links are also accessible via the virtual tour.

If your organization has an event you are welcome to post it on the web site by contacting Councillor Harrop. The announcement has to be emailed to crichton.harrop@sympatico.ca at least seven days before the event date.

From the home page you have your choice of six different areas to click into.

The Photo Tour takes you to a little chart from which you can see difference locales in Madoc. A clickable map also allows you to see your way around outlying areas.

The Area Directory is next with a listing of services such as churches, accommodation, eateries, and real estate brokers.

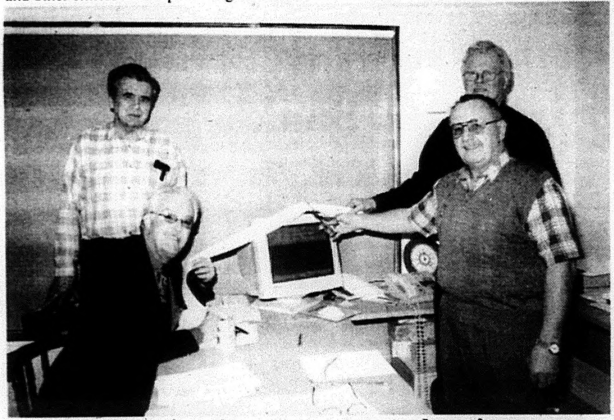
The Municipal Info area is an excellent reference to the political structure of the Centre Hastings and contains the names of local officials, government reports, and the minutes of municipal council meetings. Also other pertinent municipal information such as office hours of the municipal office and phone numbers of various municipal officials, times of garbage collection, and landfill hours.

This part of the site is a goldmine reference containing a lot of information in one spot. Those really desperate for reading material can read the council minutes verbatim. Nice pics of Clerk Doug Parks and Treasurer Connie Jones too!

For history buffs, there is a section especially for you giving an historical outline of the municipality. Nice pictures of historical sites here too.

The last button to click is Visitor Info, and this one as you expect is geared to the tourist. It provides weather and real estate info, a glimpse at local news, and so on. Sites of historical and local interest are here for the visitor, including the Ivanhoe Cheese Factory and the Trail of Two Lakes.

By the way, the new website address for Centre Hastings is: www.centrehastings.com



Check out new site: www.centrehastings.com

On November 30, the Municipality of Centre Hastings launched its new web site. The site is full of pictures, reference material about the council, an outline of the history of the region, a pictorial walk through Madoc, lots of links to sites in the community, and a convenient list of coming events in the community. Members of council at the launch were Dave Schulz, Crichton Harrop, Reeve Deline, Larry Mitz. ***M. McClavey photo***

Departure of only full time Doctor makes Madoc seriously underserviced

Madoc - On Nov. 26, the Centre Hastings Medical Centre Board held a meeting in the Madoc Municipal Hall to discuss the thorny problem of the "under serviced" status of the Centre Hastings area, and how to attract physicians to the area to solve it.

Although the Provincial government has stated that the area should have five doctors to provide health care to Madoc and the surrounding area, it is proving to be a difficult task to attract new doctors here.

This fall, the Ministry of Health said that the area was under serviced, a situation to be made more acute by the retirement of Madoc's only full-time physician, Dr. Cliff Derry next July.

In response to the shortage of doctors, Centre Hastings has put a plea geared to prospective doctors on its new web site which was launched Nov. 30, but this has not drawn any candidates so far either. The Council hopes that by connecting the Centre Hastings web site with that of Queen's University the appeal for medical help will reach receptive ears.

The shortage of doctors is commonplace all over the province, and Madoc is not alone in its health care isolation. Many of these other communities have turned to the idea of the community health centre as the solution to its problem, and Centre Hastings is taking a look at this option and work toward establishing a comprehensive health centre like the Gateway Centre in Tweed which houses many social services including a food bank and health services under one roof.

The search looks more promising for the accreditation of out-of-country doctors who want to work in Ontario and would be agreeable to working in small ru-

Some of the Madoc Beavers had a hard time to contain themselves on their float as they waited for Santa to arrive so the parade can get rolling. Are these guys excited? They are Bobby Wilson and Mitchell Kennedy. ***McClavey photo***

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Marmora – As we are earing the end of 2001, **The nternational Year of Volnteers,** I feel it is very imortant to recognize the any countless hours put in many of our volunteers the Municipality of Marora and Lake.

The United Nations deared 2001 as International ear of Volunteers, a recogition that is well deserved r those who dedicate so uch to others. The gift of me is the most wonderful ft you can give to somene and your community. olunteers bring not only an normous social and ecoomic contribution to our Municipality of Marmora & ake but volunteerism brings hose together with a vision nd the knowledge to see it rough.

People volunteer because ey care: they care about heir neighbour, their comunity, their children and ur seniors. Our seniors, ho have dedicated many olunteer hours in the past nd continue with their vast nowledge and commitment, ave made our community what it is today. Respect for ne another, empowering olunteer contributions, undraising to make it hapen are qualities we must ecognize and extend recogition to each and every one f you.

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The paving of the barrier-free trail by the Crowe Valley Lions Club has opened opportunities for those in scooters, walkers, wheelchairs, moms with little ones, etc., to enjoy the park winter or summer. Equal opportunities! The Christmas lights in our park extend a very Merry Christmas to those passing through our community.

Volunteers be proud as we near the end of the International Year of Volunteers. Your gift of time will never be forgotten.

Fine turnout at St. Andrew's luncheon

Doug Bennett of St. John's, Newfoundland, second from right, joined his brother Lionel's family at the St. Andrew's lunch before the Santa Claus Parade. From left, daughter Jen, Donna, Doug and Reeve Lionel Bennett. Sandwiches, apple sauce, cup cakes and a beverage completed the lunch menu. The United Church Women were prepared for 100 hungry visitors. Co-convenors were Gail MacSteven, Joyce Acton and June Vilneff. In addition to a craft table, there were bake, loonie, candy and heirloom tables.

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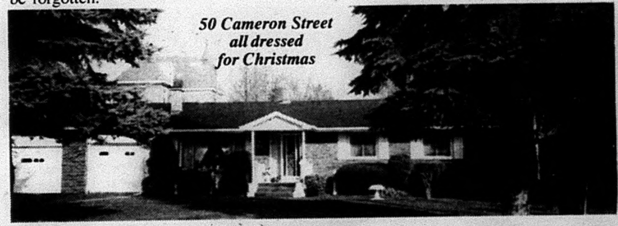

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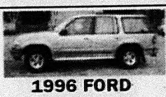
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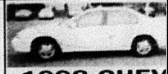
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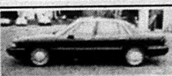
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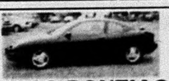
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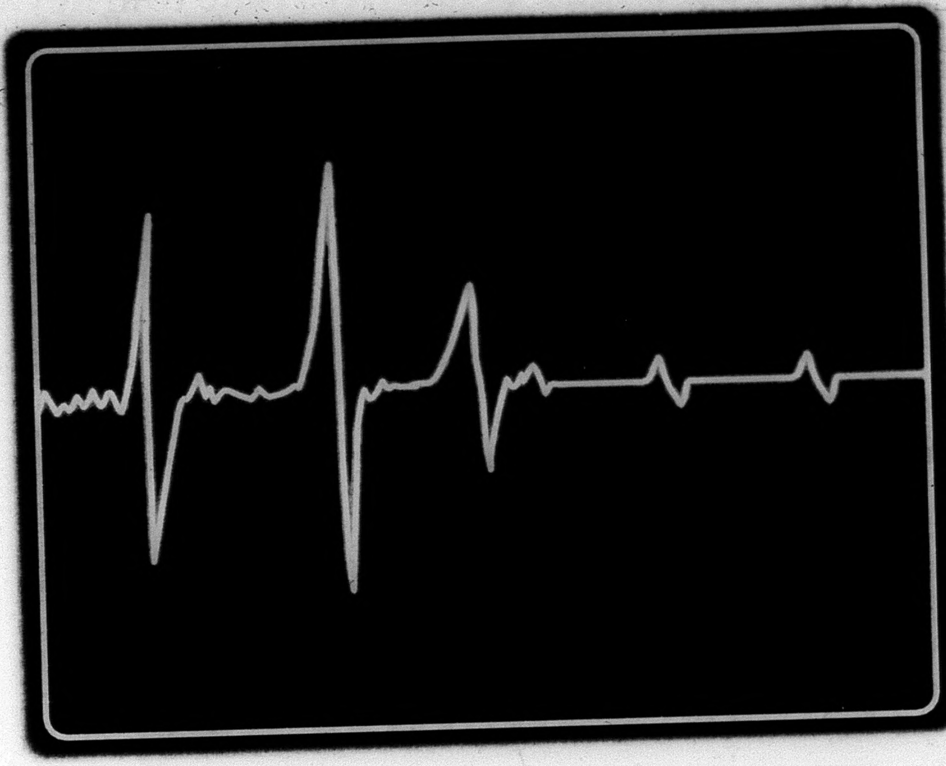

Unless Ottawa pays its fair share for health care, the prognosis isn't good.

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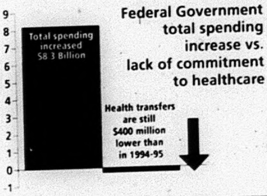
But federal transfers to the provinces for health and social services this year will be $400 million lower than in 1994. Not a single new dollar has been earmarked for health care.

Health care is your number one priority. Isn't it time it was the federal government's, too?



If Ottawa won't pay its fair share, our healthcare system will suffer.

Plainly put, if our healthcare system is to meet the demands of a population that's growing and aging – and if it is to offer us the life-saving advances we deserve – the federal government must start paying its fair share.

If it doesn't, the provinces will have difficult choices to make.

With its huge budget surplus, Ottawa can afford to do the right thing.

It's only fair that the federal government spend some of its $17 billion surplus on safeguarding your health. After all, it's your money (and overpayment of taxes) that created the surplus.

The federal government *must* make healthcare funding their number one priority. The upcoming federal budget must include a measured plan to raise federal funding of health care from its current level to the 18% level Ottawa used to provide just a few years ago.

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Begg Fuel novices take tourney title

Asphodel-Norwood - The Jack Begg Fuel novice A Hornets knocked off Millbrook 7-5 in a hard-fought battle Dec. 1 to win the "D" title of their hometown tourney.

The Hornets opened the day bright and early with a close game against Peterborough. The visitors scored first with Steven Walsh tying things up in the second with help from Justin McWhinnie.

The team couldn't find another marker falling in a 2-1 squeaker.

Goalie Matt Nelson was phenomenal between the pipes. He was on for every shot. His hot glove and even hotter stick kept the team in the game. Matt's team-mates salute his fine play.

Game two was against the big and imposing Lakefield Chiefs. The Chiefs scored first but the Hornets tied things in the second with Michael Loucks teaming up with Matthew Zenner for a backhander to knot the score. The Chiefs quickly rallied to break the deadlock but the dynamic Zenner-Loucks duo were all warmed up and evened the score.

The Chiefs edged ahead with a goal midway through the third. The hard-skating Hornets could not manage an equalizer.

Norwood was in the D final against Millbrook and turned in a strong effort to take the title. Michael Loucks, helping out winger Chris Bryett, opened the scoring. Britney Barnett added a fabulous backhander with an assist to Dylan Brightman. Dylan registered the next goal after picking up a pass from Walsh. Then it was Loucks from wingers Zenner and Bryett.

Britney wanted another piece of the action putting a perfect pass on the stick of Dalton Charlebois for his goal. Shane Carthew skated hard and was rewarded with a goal and Walsh rounded out the scoring with 12 seconds to play.

The Hornets deserved the title playing hard all day long even though they were tired after a long stretch of hockey the previous night.

The Hornets would like to thank all the parents and coaching staff who helped out with the tourney and the fans came out to cheer them on. It was a great success.

Hornets buzz: The night before the Hornets lost a very physical game 6-3 to Immaculate Conception with Norwood goals going to Kyle-Anderson Carter, off the point; Steven Walsh and Shane Carthew, with a nifty deke. Picking up assists were Matt Zenner and Scotty Foss...After a Sunday practice they were in Peterborough Monday for a evenly-played match against All Saints which they won by an impressive 1-0 score. Scoring for Norwood was Dalton Charlebois. Matt Nelson added another shutout to his stellar netminding career. Tired as they were the team was a pleasure to watch with lots of spirit.

Hastings visit: MPP Doug Galt enjoyed his time during the Hastings Santa Claus parade.

Photo/Bill Freeman

Golden agers hit the lanes

Trent Hills - Results from the Thursday Afternoon Golden Age bowling at Trent Valley Lanes in Campbellford were:

Team standings - Ding Bats 26; Screwballs 25; Big Shots, Blue Jays & Seekers 24; Slowpokes 17; Heads and Tails 16; Busy Body 13.

High singles - George Cross 259; John Koprla 231; Charlie Beamish 228; Bonnie Kennedy 216; Marg Cross 202; Doreen Holmden 193.

High single w/handicap - George 316; Paul McKeown 278; Charlie 278; Marg 268; Tressa Glenn 250; Bonnie 247.

High triples - John 627; Tom Smith 601; George 575; Bonnie 581; Marilyn Archball 517; Jeanitta Campbell 516.

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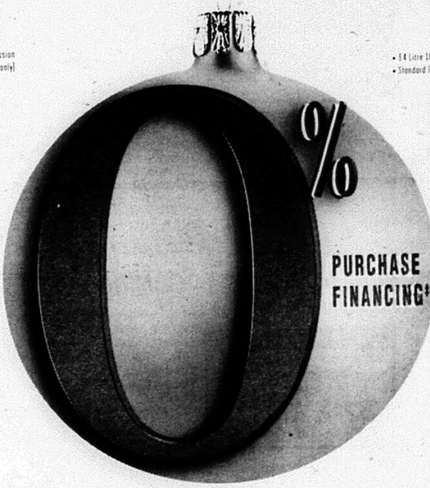

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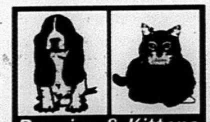

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Be tough with property standard violators: Councillors

Asphodel-Norwood - If a property standards violator has to be taken to court they should be, Councillor Joe Crowley says.

"Property standards issues have to be addressed and if it happens to go to court so be it," Mr. Crowley said while Council approved the Chief Building Officer's report.

Mr. Crowley said he was not averse to taking tough action.

"We get criticized because we don't take appropriate action. We should take that action," added Councillor Terry Low.

At the present time there is one municipal property standards issue before the court.

Caught at furniture store...

Timely tip leads to drunk driving arrest

Otonabee - A 53-year-old Gore's Landing man was arrested by Peterborough County OPP after police received a tip about a disqualified driver.

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When police located the man inside the store they discovered that he had been drinking.

He was charged with driving with more than 80 mgs of alcohol.

Bantam Hornets knock off Stars

Asphodel-Norwood - The J.J. Stewart Motors bantam Hornets earned a split with a solid 7-1 exhibition win over Millbrook and a tough 8-1 loss in league play to St. James.

Against the Stars, Norwood exploded for five third period goals to blow the game open. Kevin Gourley had the hat trick with Philip Darrington adding a pair. Single markers went to Ray Bradley and Aaron Main. Jason Heron, David Andrew and Mike Sawyer had two assists each with singles to Ian Kennelly, Main, Alex Matthews, Josiah Olver, Kyle Moore and Darrington.

Norwood had 13 players for the St. James match and got uneven performances from those who suited up. Dave Andrew scored the lone Hornets goal in the third period with assists to Darrington and Ryan Noffke.

Sweet win for atom A's

Trent Hills - The Percy Bulldog Atom A's pulled off a sweet win on home ice Nov. 24 knocking off the Otonabee Wolves 5-2.

Although both teams were evenly matched, the Bulldogs refused to lose.

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Group questions Safety at issue in Memorial Park?

by Nancy Derrer

Marmora – Marmora & District Trails Development, Memorial Park construction subcommittee sent a letter to the Municipality of Marmora & Lake itemizing what it sees as safety issues in Memorial Park.

They include a sink hole south of the Information Centre; two more sink holes at the entrance to the parking lot; a 12-inch drainage pipe that has no cover on the intake or output end; and water running down the hill from the business section into the park. It recommended that, concerning the latter, a grilled catch basin trough needs to be installed across the entrance to the parking lot directing the water to a catch basin joining the 12-inch pipe.

Deputy Reeve Clemens reported that the Works Department is aware of the problems in the park; they are being studied and being dealt with on an ongoing basis.

Public Meeting

Earth Tech Canada Inc. will hold an information session on behalf of the Ministry of Transportation Tuesday, Dec. 11, from 6-8pm, at the Town Hall, 12 Burstall Street. The meeting will be of particular interest to residents and business owners situated in the vicinity of Highway 7 between Old Norwood Road and the Crowe River. The Ministry will review and comment on generated design alternatives that may affect these residents and business owners.

Council was informed that notification of the meeting was hand-delivered to area residences and businesses on Dec. 4. Council members will attend a separate viewing of the display from 5-6pm on the same day and can discuss their comments directly with representatives from Earth Tech and the MTO.

CAO Frank Mills reported that a second consultant's quotation is being sought concerning the installation of traffic lights at the IGA and Highway 7. It is the opinion of council that a third traffic light, at the top of the hill west of the village, would not be approved by the MTO; the Ministry is interested in controlling access to Highway 7, not installing traffic lights as a means to control speed.

Personnel

The following decisions made in camera were announced: there will be no changes in employee benefits for 2002; there will be a two per cent cost of living increase; Tom McQuaigg has been promoted to Roads Supervisor;Cindy Craftchick is now a full-time employee; and the municipal lot, located on Main Street that was advertised for sale for $30,000 will be reduced to an asking price of $25,000.

Request for funds

Linda Bracken, speaking on behalf of the Campbellford Memorial Hospital Foundation, noted that in the past year the following Marmora & Lake residents have been served by Campbellford Hospital: 1785 emergency visits;137 inpatients; 367 patients coming to the Medical Centre; 40 out-patient and same day surgeries; and 856 attending recurring clinics.

She asked that Council reconsider the foundation's request for $25,000 over the next five years. Reeve Bennett clarified council's position by stating that the request would be considered in next year's budget. CAO Mills stated that he "suspects there will be a little bit of a deficit" this year.

Quinte Waste

Councillor Roger Watson, commenting on the minutes of the most recent Quinte Waste Solutions meeting, indicated that "a lot of new work is facing the board, preparing new agreements and the 2002 budget. There will be huge capital expenses that need to be expended" in the future.

Concerning the sewage treatment plant, Mr. Mills said that a tender had been called for a major storage area, prior to municipal integration, but the facility was not built. This item will be tendered again, in conjunction with OCWA, in 2002.

Prior to a decision being made on day/weekly/seasonal rates for 2002 at Booster Park, council has requested input from the park manager. It is hoped this report will be available at the Dec. 17 meeting.

$1000 received

Councilor Jones stated that TD/Canada Trust is donating $1000 to the Community Concerns Committee for the purchase of a sound system for teen dances. It is hoped to arrange a picture of the youth dance committee being presented with this cheque.

Reports

"People like the new Bylaw Enforcement Officer," (Irwin Earle) Reeve Bennett reported. "He's getting the job done without ruffling feathers."

The noise control bylaw, 2001-038, that will be enforced by Mr. Earle was approved.

After discussions with the Marmora Figure Skating Club, Arena Manager Curtis Trimble recommended the ice come out at the Community Centre on April 15. Council agreed.

A member of the Communities in Bloom committee, Mr. Peacock, has died and the family is setting up a trust account, Councilor Jones reported. Money donated will go toward a new flower garden in the village.

Councilor Jones recommended that the municipality set up a Parks & Recreation Committee for 2002. She suggested that members representing baseball, hockey, lawn bowling and others, be represented. An advertisement will solicit members. The bylaw that establishes all committee for the coming year will be deferred until this committee's membership has been established.

Reeve Bennett, Councilors Watson and Braswell attended the Deloro Rehabilitation meeting last week. It was called to bring everyone up to date on what has been done and what is planned for the future. A total of $18 million has been spent with another $25 million to go.

It was agreed to waive the rental fee for the Marmora & District Adult Activity Centre's Christmas party at the town hall. It will take place Friday, Dec. 21.

Resident Cherly Leonard is suggesting she would like to see a 'list of 50 things that haven't been done by council but were promised,' Nick Price reported. He recommended that council "publish a list of 100 things that have been done in the past 11 months." After discussion, it was agreed that Reeve Bennett and CAO Mills would put together a year-end report outlining what has been accomplished.

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Letter to the Editor

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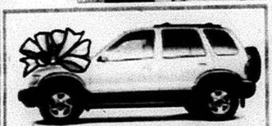

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Local author to visit Madoc Library

Local author Isabella Shaw will be at the Madoc Public Library on Dec. 15 from 10 a.m. to noon to autograph and sell copies of her new book "Tribute to Agriculture."

Isabella is well known in the area for her previous book "A Quest for Gold" which describes the gold rush that took place in Eldorado in the 1800s.

She is selling her book for $25 and she is very generously donating $5 of the price to the Madoc Public Library Building Fund.

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Judy Edgar elected new School Board Chair

The trustees of the Hastings and Prince Edward District School Board elected a new Chair and Vice Chair at their annual meeting on Dec.3.

Judy Edgar, trustee for North Hastings, was elected Chair for 2002. She ran unopposed for the position, replacing Audrey Carter, trustee for North Prince Edward, who has served as Chair for the last two years as well as the period of time left on Ernie Parson's term upon his election to MPP for Prince Edward-Hastings.

"This is truly an honour," said Chair Edgar. "There's an incredible team spirit here on this Board. There are going to be lots of challenges, but we're going to continue to provide the best we can offer in public education."

Edgar was an active parent volunteer with schools before becoming a trustee in 1997 with the first Hastings and Prince Edward District School Board. She served as vice chair during the last term and chaired the Suspension Appeal Committee.

Belleville trustee, Cliff Cotton, was elected vice chair. Mr. Cotton, who had worked in school board administration for 26 years, was first elected to the former Hastings county Board of Education in 1989 and has served as a trustee for 12 years. He has also been the Board's representative to the Ontario Public School Boards Association, and has served on a number of school board committees, as well as having a long-time involvement with the local Health Unit.

Trustees also approved memberships on the following committees for 2002: Operations and Finance, Programme & Human Resources, Executive, Special Education Advisory, Suspension Appeals, Expulsion Committee, Supervised Alternative Learning for Excused Pupils, Joint Transportation, Ontario Public School Boards Association.

OPP FESTIVE RIDE kicks off

With the holiday season fast approaching, the Ontario Provincial Police want to remind drivers of the danger of mixing alcohol with driving. OPP officers will be out to target impaired drivers during this holiday season as part of its on-going commitment to make Ontario highways safer.

From November 29, 2001 to January 2, 2002, the Centre Hastings OPP and other OPP detachments across the province will be conducting the annual R.I.D.E. (Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere) campaign in an effort to curb the death toll on Ontario roads.

Last year, during the five week R.I.D.E. festive season initiative that ran from Nov 29, 2000, to January 4, 2001, a total of 456,149 vehicles were stopped at roadside checkpoints. A total of 890 12-hour licence suspensions were issued and 460 persons were charged with criminal code alcohol-related charges; 439 of the 90 day Administrative Drivers Licence Suspensions were also issued. In other words, for every 338 drivers stopped at a R.I.D.E. checkpoint, one driver was either charged with an impaired driving related charge or was issued a 12-hour licence suspension.

During the same period, the OPP investigated 42 fatal motor vehicle collisions in which 46 people were killed. More than 30% of these fatal collisions were alcohol related.

"R.I.D.E. is an ongoing part of our traffic enforcement program that we intensify in the festive season", states Detachment Commander Peter Valiquette. "Our officers will be performing R.I.D.E. checks in every part of our detachment area to ensure this is a safe and happy season for everyone."

Students Christmas stories for Dec 7

Madoc and Stirling Schools are reminded that the due date for the return of the students' Christmas poems, letters and stories is Dec. 7. Please call the 1-888-725-3503

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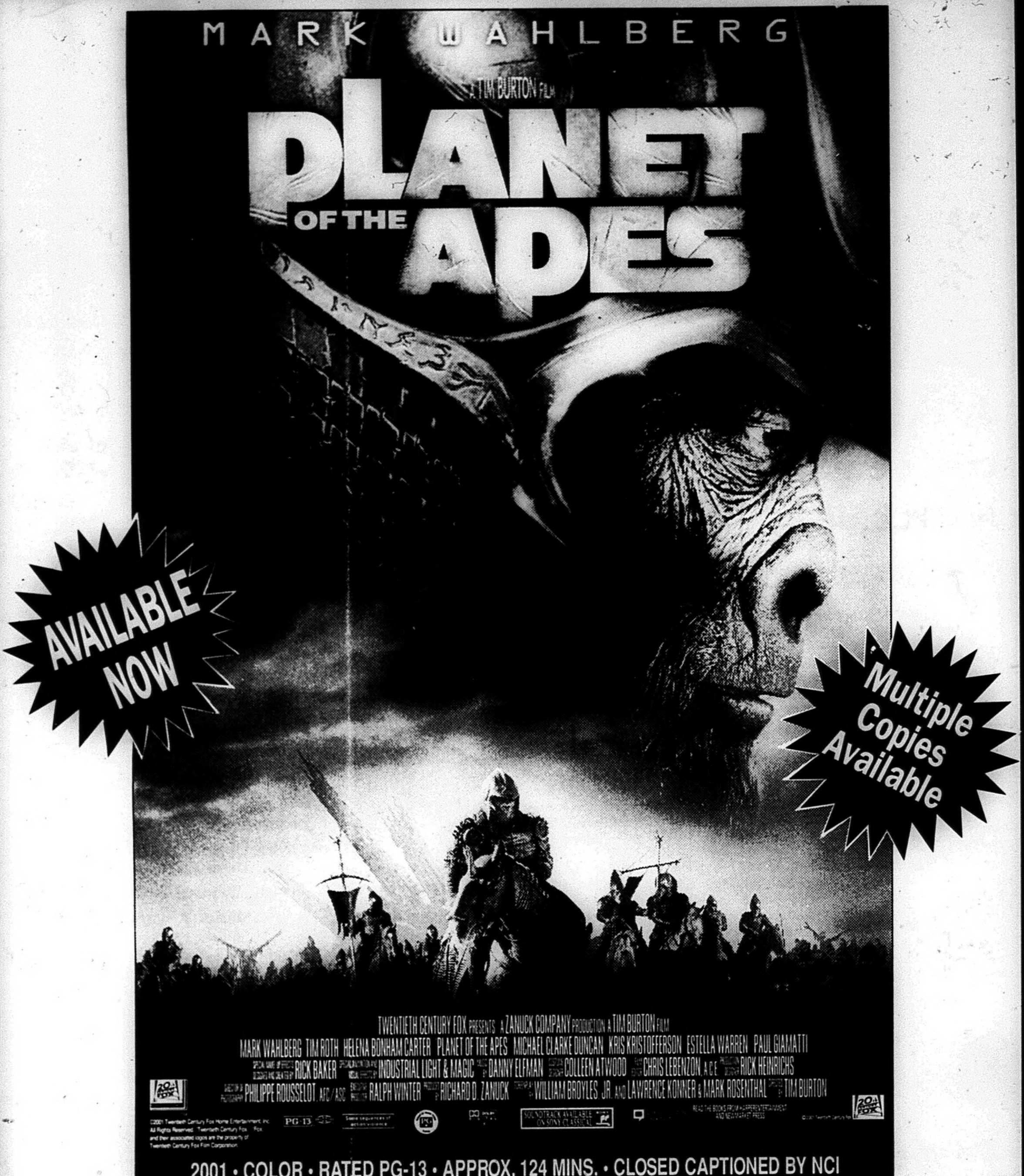

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Madoc Cadets commended fo their service to the community

Piper James Clark piped in the members of the head table at the Madoc Cadet Christmas dinner. **M. McClavey photo**

On Sunday, Dec. 9, The Madoc Cadet Corps held their annual Christmas dinner at the Kiwanis Club hall. The Master of Ceremonies for the evening was Second Lieutenant Roy Matacheskie who is the commanding officer for the Corps.

The evening began with young Trenton piper James Clark piping in the members of the head table. James takes after his father Bob who is a piper as well with Highlanders at the Trenton Base. Dad provides guidance on the pipes and James takes lessons in Belleville on a regular basis.

The guests at the head table were George Weatherall, the Legion liaison officer for the Corps from Branch 428 Tweed; Mr. Weatherall's wife Karen; Bob Gordon, president of the Legion Branch 363, Madoc; Mrs. Ona Gordon; Jim Dwyer, Legion liaison for Branch 237, Marmora; 2Lt. Roy Matacheskie, Commanding Officer, OCDT Sharlene Matacheskie; CWO Leslie Paranuik; Leslie's parents Ted and Sue Paranuik; Walt Candow, liaison officer from Legion Branch 363 Madoc; Maggie Candow.

Other guests for the evening were Ken Steele, Zone Colour Sgt. from Branch 363 Madoc Legion; Lynn, McGlauglin, Poppy Chairman 363 Madoc, Terry Clough past Zone F3 Commander; John Atkinson, Public Relations Officer Branch 363 Madoc; Joe Cummings, former chairman & liaison 363 Madoc; Phyllis Cummings; Jean Kelly; piper James Clark and his parents Janice and Bob.

The Toast to the Queen was presented by CWO Leslie Paranui Grace was of Kyle Blaker.

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"Quest for Gold" brings local author to Madoc Public Library

Stirling - Local historian and author Isabella Shaw was at Coulter's Books on Saturday, Dec. 8 to promote her two books on local history "Quest for Gold," and "The History of Agriculture."

These books both grew out of Mrs. Shaw's personal interest in tracing the genealogy of her own family. Quest for Gold is a combination of that search, and the history of the Eldorado gold rush of the 1800s.

Isabella could combine the two histories, that of her husband's family and the gold rush since her husband is the great grandson of the man who owned the farm on which the gold was originally found, John Richardson. The story begins with the emigration of the family from Ireland and outlines the hardships new settlers to the country faced and the determination with which they

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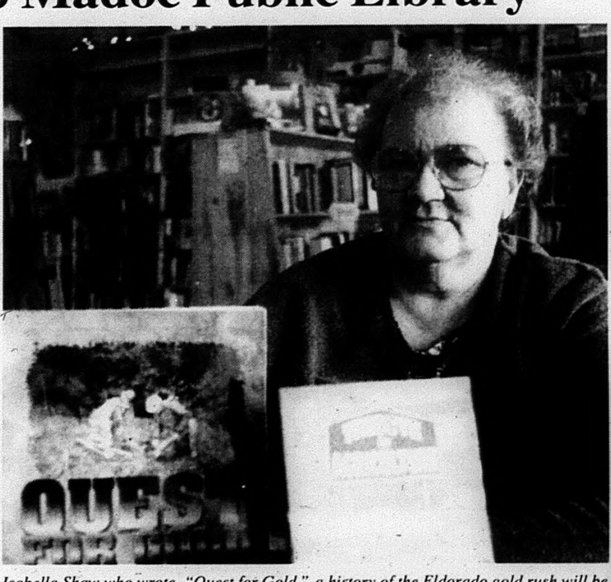

Isabella Shaw who wrote "Quest for Gold," a history of the Eldorado gold rush will be at the Madoc Public Library on Dec. 15 to promote that book and a more recent one which she completed on the farming called "History of Agriculture." **McClavey photo**

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Cadets celebrated for community efforts

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Alan Poulter, Fawn Holmes, Derek Holmes, Bonnie Lyon and Cindy Redding. Special thanks goes to Sandra Cooney for her duties at the Monday night meetings.

2Lt. Matacheskie told the audience that he felt the Cadet Corps was the best place for young people to learn the virtues of citizenship, public involvement, and interest in the Armed Forces. The Corps involves young people from the ages of 12 through 18 in a 5-year programme. "These are the people who will be future members of the police, fire fighters, doctors, and even operators of the senior citizens homes in which we may well find ourselves someday," he said. "I think the Cadet Corps offers more challenges than any other youth group that I know of." He also expressed appreciation for service organization in the community such as the Lion's Club in Marmora and the Kiwanis Club in Madoc for their support.

The Corps was presented with a cheque for $1000 from both the Marmora and the Tweed Legions, and one for $2000 from the Madoc Legion. They also received a private donation of $100.

Several Cadets were presented with Certificates of Appreciation for community volunteer service to the Madoc Legion, and to the community.

Mr. Ken Steele, Zone Colour Sgt. presented certificates to Cadets Bethany Holmes, Graham MacLeod, Jennifer MacLeod, Brittney Nielsen, Melissa Cooney, and Doug Neale for assisting with the colour party at the Nov. 11 Remembrance Day ceremonies. Poppy chairman Lynn McGlaughlin also presented Certificates of Appreciation to Cadets Melissa Convey, D. Fraser, L. Fraser, B. Nielsen, J. MacLeod, G. MacLeod, W. Matacheskie, D. Neal, R. Redding, D. Thompson, R. Matacheskie for their participation in the sale of Remembrance Day poppies.

The Madoc Cadets will be training on Dec. 10 and will be assisting the 363 Madoc Legion with their Annual Veterans Christmas Dinner on Dec. 16. Special mention that CWO Paranuik did such a wonderful job last year leading her team of workers that they have specially asked for her back again this year. On Dec. 20 a group will also be helping out with the distribution of Christmas baskets. Regular training nights will begin in the New Year on January 7.

"Quest for Gold" brings author to Madoc

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overcame them.

John Richardson's farm was not a highly prosperous one, and the thought of the money the gold strike would bring was tempting. John had gained title to the 100-acre farm in Madoc Township in 1847, but it was a tough go to make ends meet.

In August of 1866, prospector and farmer Marcus Powell discovered a vein of metal that he hoped and thought was copper. But the vein turned out to be gold, and this started a boom in the life of the town, and made the mine on the Richardson property the first gold mine in Canada. Like most rushes of this kind the bubble was short-lived until the bust.

In two years the boom and gone bust, and as Isabella puts it, "the party was over for many of those seeking their fortunes" by striking it rich in the gold rush. Inevitably it seems, the usual swindlers had appeared-mines had been "salted" to increase the price of otherwise mediocre land, and bankruptcy raised its ugly head. The mine was sold on August 28, 1869 for "Life," Mrs. Shaw writes, "seemed to be definitely on the upswing."

Like all gold rushes, the Eldorado rush brought all kinds of people crowding into the area. A building boom resulted to accommodate these people, and there were dozens of hotels, stores and boarding houses built in Eldorado, Madoc and surrounding areas as well. These pretty well crumbled into oblivion once the rush was over.

Isabella Shaw did a fine job of putting this book together. It reads easily and smoothly, a feat for books of this sort, which can be dry and factual. It is factual, but extremely interesting, and I think, as Isabella herself jokes, "It belongs in every home." It is interesting indeed. Isabella not only researched and wrote the book, she published it. Only the binding and cover were done by a professional company.

By contrast, "The History of Agriculture," is a more polished book by a production standpoint. This is just what it says it is, and there is lots of personal information in the book as well. Isabella includes pictures of herself, always a farm girl, when she was chosen "Miss Hastings" in 1959, (before my beauty faded, she jokes), and she also was dairy princess in 1963.

Her parents, Allen and Isabella Sager are featured, and both were intimately involved in farming activities. Both were 4-H leaders and they ran the family dairy farm.

The book traces the change in the face of agriculture in this area. It includes the development of Junior Farmers, 4-H, and the Women's Institute.

An interesting part for those who remember the local cheese factories in Ontario, is the evolution of the cheese factories. Previous to this cheese and butter were produced on the home farm.

Isabella points out that the very first whey butter was produced in Rawdon. On the front of the book is a colourful picture of an old '26 Fordson Tractor which is located now at the Agricultural Museum in Stirling. Isabella's books can also be purchased there and in Coulter's Books in Stirling.

Isabella's books are full of interesting stuff, and the personal information and research, plus the quality of the writing makes it a good read.

The are quite an accomplishment for someone who did not set out to be a writer. Isabella herself says, "I still can't believe I did all that."

Isabella Shaw will be at the Madoc Public Library on Saturday, Dec. 15 from 10 a.m. till noon.

Picton Man charged in festive R.I.D.E.

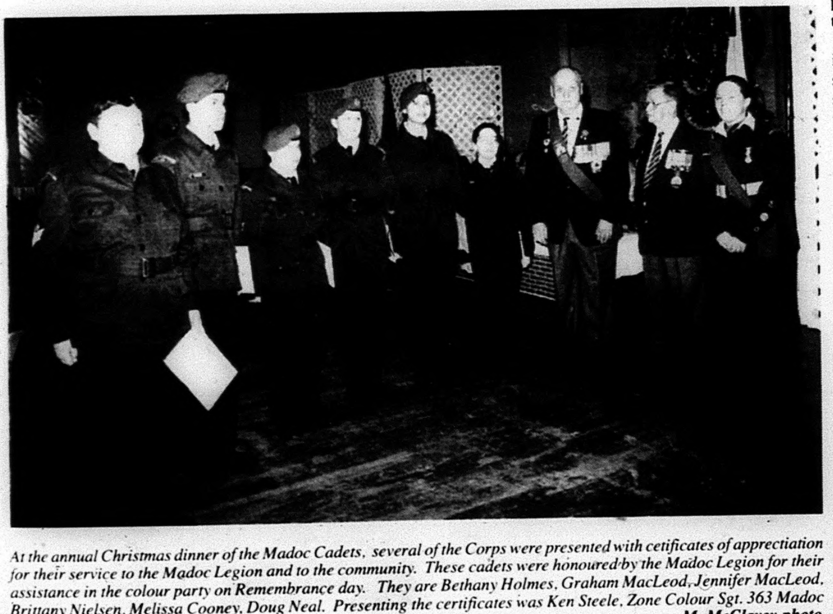
Early on the morning of Dec. 7, Centre Hastings O.P.P. were conducting R.I.D.E. Checks on Highway 62 just north of Highway 401. At approximately 2:44 a.m., a car failed to stop at the R.I.D.E. check and turned into the Tim Horton's at Highway 62 and Cloverleaf Drive.

The driver was located at the Tim Horton's and as a result of the investigation Fraser Todd, 35, of Picton was charged with driving with over 80 mg of alcohol in his blood, and driving while under suspension.

He was released from custody and will appear in Belleville Court on Dec. 13.

During the first week of the festive R.I.D.E. campaign (Nov. -29-Dec. 5), Centre Hastings officers stopped and checked 380 vehicles. Two people were charged with driving with over 80 mg. Numerous other charges were laid.

The Festive R.I.D.E. campaign runs until Jan.2, 2002.



At the annual Christmas dinner of the Madoc Cadets, several of the Corps were presented with cetificates of appreciation for their service to the Madoc Legion and to the community. These cadets were honoured by the Madoc Legion for their assistance in the colour party on Remembrance day. They are Bethany Holmes, Graham MacLeod, Jennifer MacLeod, Brittany Nielsen, Melissa Cooney, Doug Neal. Presenting the certificates was Ken Steele, Zone Colour Sgt. 363 Madoc Legion.

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nofest Association members planning the Ontario Championship in Marmora, Feb. 1, 2 nd 3 are, left to right, back row: Stewart Fisher, fundraiser, Bob Drummond, senior dvisor, Tina Clemens, secretary, Scott Broadbent, race marshall, and Bob Cunningham, ail manager. Front row, left to right, Barb Fisher, crafts, Earl Johnson, awards, Chairman Vayne Cox, Terri Cox, executive officer. Absent from the photo were Catherine Coleynch, treasurer, Richard Lowery and Julie Mayne, marketing. *photo/Nancy Derrer*

Sled Dog Championship race planning is well underway

y Nancy Derrer

Marmora – Excitement s already building with the ommittee planning the FIRST Provincial Sled Dog Championship being held in Marmora February 1, 2 and . It is anticipated that 50 eams will be registered in each of the categories: 8-log, 70 mile race (50 miles un the first day, 20 miles the econd day); 6-dog, six mile ace (each team races six miles each of two days); 4-dog, four mile race (four miles, two days). The Y2K ace is run one day as is Litle Nippers and each race is imited to 20 teams.

Wayne Cox is again chairing the Snofest Association comprised of Stewart Fisher, fundraiser, Bob Drummond, senior advisor, Tina Clemens, secretary, Scott Broadbent, race marshall, Bob Cunningham, trail manager, Barb Fisher, crafts, Earla Johnson, awards, Terrie Cox, executive officer, Catherine Cole-Lynch, treasurer, Richard Lowery and Julie Mayne, marketing.

Marmora Snofest Association is the official host of the sled dog championship and each member of the committee is responsible for one area. All committees are looking for volunteers to help out on the weekend. Contact Tina Clemens if you'd like to lend a hand – selling tickets, staffing a checkpoint – whatever your talent, Tina is sure she can find a place for you.

Snofest buttons are now for sale in the stores. The $3 button buys you admission to the races. The buttons are numbered and at the end of the race there will be three numbers drawn, each person winning a $100 prize. As well, 50/50 draw tickets are now being sold and Adam Cox and Judy Nobes (472-1233) are soliciting prizes. Chairman Wayne Cox (472-2325) is the person in charge of soliciting cash donations for the purse.

Marmora is Sled Dog Central in Ontario and first, second and third-place winners in the February race will go on to the Canadian and even perhaps the World Championship in Germany in 2003.

The sport is becoming so popular that Chairman Wayne is hoping it will become an Olympic sport.

The *Marmora Herald* is publishing the official program/supplement for the race. If you are interested in advertising, contact Tony at the Marmora office.

CHSS soprano receives standing ovation at concert

The music, drama presentations, and the artwork at the CHSS Christmas Festival were great, but soprano Mandy Murphy had the honour of receiving a standing ovation for her performance of the Christmas classic "O Holy Night." Mandy sings with the CHSS vocal ensemble as well as playing the alto saxophone in the Senior Music Class and the Senior Concert Band.
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Centre Hastings Grizzlies runners up in novice tournament on home ground

Last Saturday, in Marmora, the Novice Grizzlies played host to five other teams at their home tournament. The Grizzlies took on Havelock in the first game of the morning. This hockey game was a great start to the morning for the home team, they edged by the Hawks by one goal ending the match in a 6 - 5 victory and pumping the Grizzlies for the day! Scoring for C.H. were; Dylan Adams (1), Devin Dafoe (1), Mackenzie Smith (1) and Mark Thompson (hat trick). Mackenzie Smith, Brandon Danford and Isaac Shin earned the assists.

In their second game of the tournament the Grizzlies were up against Rice Lake and once again played a nail biter! This match earned the guys a 4 -3 win and a spot in the A Championship at the end of the day. Nicholas Ferguson, Mark Thompson (2) and Brandon Danford lit up the board,, assisted by Jake Bateman, Mackenzie Smith, Joshua Shin and Isaac Shin passed up the goals. Port Hope was the opponent for the Championship. The first period looked good for the Novices, out scoring Port Hope 2 - 1. The Grizzlies were able to hold on to the lead well into the second period but eventually fell to the visitors in a 5 -3 decision. Team members; Colin McBeath, Travis Plume, Martin Chamberlain, Dallas McGowan and goal tenders Tyler Hutchings and Hayden McInroy round out this Novice roster. A Runners Up,not too shabby boys. Congratulations!!

On December 1st, in Marmora the winners were drawn in the annual Minor Hockey Christmas Raffle. Tim Loveless won the $1,000.00 prize! Dawn Andrews took the $500.00 prize and the 5 $100.00 winners were; Stan Stein, Brian McNabb, Shelby Kramp, Bill Johnston and Bill McBeath.

Congratulations to the winners and thanks to all for your continued support of Minor Hockey.

Up coming hockey action: Madoc Arena - Fri. Dec.14th at 7:30pm,Bantam vs. Tamworth at 9pm Juvenile vs. Stirling.

Sat. Dec. 15th starting at 12:30pm the Novice, Sr. Tyke and Atom teams will all be hosting games. Marmora Arena - Sat. Dec.15th all day Midget Tournament at 9:30pm Juvenile vs. Douro.

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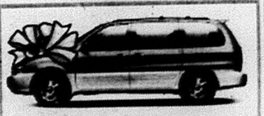

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Hustling effort: *There was some outstanding elementary school volleyball on display at Norwood District High School Wednesday. Two teams from Norwood Intermediate hosted visitors from Norwood District Public School, Havelock-Belmont, Hillcrest, Hastings, Kent and Percy Centennial. The quality of the play was intense. In the photo above, a NDPS player lunges for the ball during thrilling action against Norwood Intermediate.*
Photo/Bill Freeman

Great brassy sounds mixed with artistry of Brian and Donna

By Rolly Ethier

True North Brass has already earned itself a reputation internationally as a musical ensemble with a rare dynamic sound. So the Toronto quintet of superb music makers doesn't need any supporting help.

But with local Westben artists Donna Bennett and Brian Finley adding their exquisite talents into the mix, the net result was a rare and beautiful Christmas bonanza for those attending the Dec. 1st True North Christmas concert at St. John's United Church. The experience could safely be said to be memorable in its capacity to brush the audience with a generous measure of early Christmas spirit.

It was a special thrill for the 36 students from six area schools who were awarded tickets to the concert courtesy of the Northumberland Arts and Crafts. For those expected to attend special Westben music workshops in the coming year it was a great opportunity to watch, listen and be inspired by the magic of professional performance.

By the time members of True North Brass wrapped up an entertaining showcase of their instrumental wizardry, they had completely endeared themselves to a receptive audience. Scott Irvine, amazing on the tuba; Alistair Kay, trombone; Joan Watson, horn; Raymond Tizzard and Stuart Laughton, trumpet, are all distinguished individual artists in their own right. Together they pack a dynamite sound—crisp, elegant and unique.

Backed by Brian Finley and his smooth as silk piano offerings, Donna Bennett employed her superb soprano voice on no fewer than seven selections on the program, including such Christmas favourites as Gesu Bambino, Away In A Manger, O Holy Night and Hark! The Herald Angels Sing. Donna was at her powerful best with her performance on Alleluia.

Scott Irvine's Meditations of a Huron Carol, employing amazing sounds that were clearly a First Nation connection, was poignant and brilliant, earning a thunderous applause from a pleased audience.

Trombone Artistry

Alistair Kay dazzled with his trombone artistry on several numbers, including What Child Is This, teaming with Stuart Laughlin, who substituted his trumpet to deliver an electrifying performance on the harmonica. Kay is a consummate trombone soloist who plays with Rob McConnell's Grammy Award-winning jazz ensemble, The Boss Brass. It is also easy to see why he has worked with such all-time greats as Frank Sinatra, Mel Torme and Ella Fitzgerald.

Bantam Hornets edged in "C' final of northern tourney

Almaguin - Gravenhurst needed an overtime marker to edge the J.J. Stewart Bantam Hornets 3-2 to take the "C" crown in tournament last Saturday hosted by Almaguin Township.

Gravenhurst opened the scoring in the first period with the two sides skating through the second period with finding the net.

The Hornets fired in a pair of third period markers with Philip Darrington and Aaron Main doing the damage with Gravenhurst adding another to force the extra frame.

Picking up assists for the Hornets were Main, Darrington and Ray Bradley, with two.

The overtime goal appeared to occur after the whistle had blown making it a tough end for a hard-fought game.

Coach Greg Hartwick said the tourney was a good one with lots of close games.

Norwood opened the action against Parry Sound losing a tight 2-1 match. it took the Hornets a little while to find their legs after the long bus ride. Still, the squad opened the scoring with an unassisted goal by Alex Matthews and held that lead until the second when Parry Sound tied things up with a shorthanded marker and adding a third period goal to win the match.

The loss was especially hard on the team because they lost winger Ryan Noffke until sometime in the playoffs after he broke a bone in his arm during a collision with another player during his first shift on the ice.

The injury bug has plagued the team all season long.

Norwood doubled up West Ferris 4-2 in game two after trailing for most of the game. Firing in goals were Matthews, Kevin Gourley, David Andrew and Main. Main, Darrington, Josiah Olver and Kyle Moore added assists.

The Hornets pulled this game off in the final four minutes climbing back from a 2-1 deficit.

Coach Hartwick would like to cure the team of the dangerous habit of falling behind early in games and relying on rallies to win matches.

Hornets buzz: The tournament erased memories of the dreadful 10-0 loss to St. James Dec. 5 in which the visitors scored on their first shot of the game. The third period was a penalty-heavy frame of hockey with 18 minutes and three misconduct in the last five minutes.

Tractors among items taken in $18,000 theft

Officers reported a break-in of a property on King's Grant Road in Trent Hills and the thief or thieves made off with items valued at roughly $18,000. A Ford diesel tractor with a Frey front end loader attachment were taken. Also stolen was a water tank from within the residence as well as various tools from a storage shed.

Inconsistency is name of game for the Rebels

The inconsistent play that has dogged the Campbellford Rebels the past month continued last weekend.

The Rebs have plunged from the once-lofty confines of first place to their current .500 record and a third-place tie with the North Frontenac Flyers in the Empire League junior C race.

Last Saturday before the season's worst crowd, the Rebels orchestrated their best showing of the season—a come-from-behind 5-4 heart-stopping victory over the Lakefield Chiefs of the Central League. From the opening faceoff the Rebels brought their A game to the rink.

The few fans on hand witnessed a scoreless first period as their interleague rivals went through the typical sparring session.

Early in period two Rebel puckstopper Mitch Unger allowed a 70-footer shot from Chief rearguard Joe Flagler to get past him. The Rebels were not dismayed by this bad goal as a well-executed three-on-two netted the equalizer. Winger Jacob Taylor found the twine over Tony DiMarco's blocker off a nifty pass from Mark Hogg.

Then Justin Lowe deflected Jamie McConnell's point slapper from a draw won by Joe Curry.

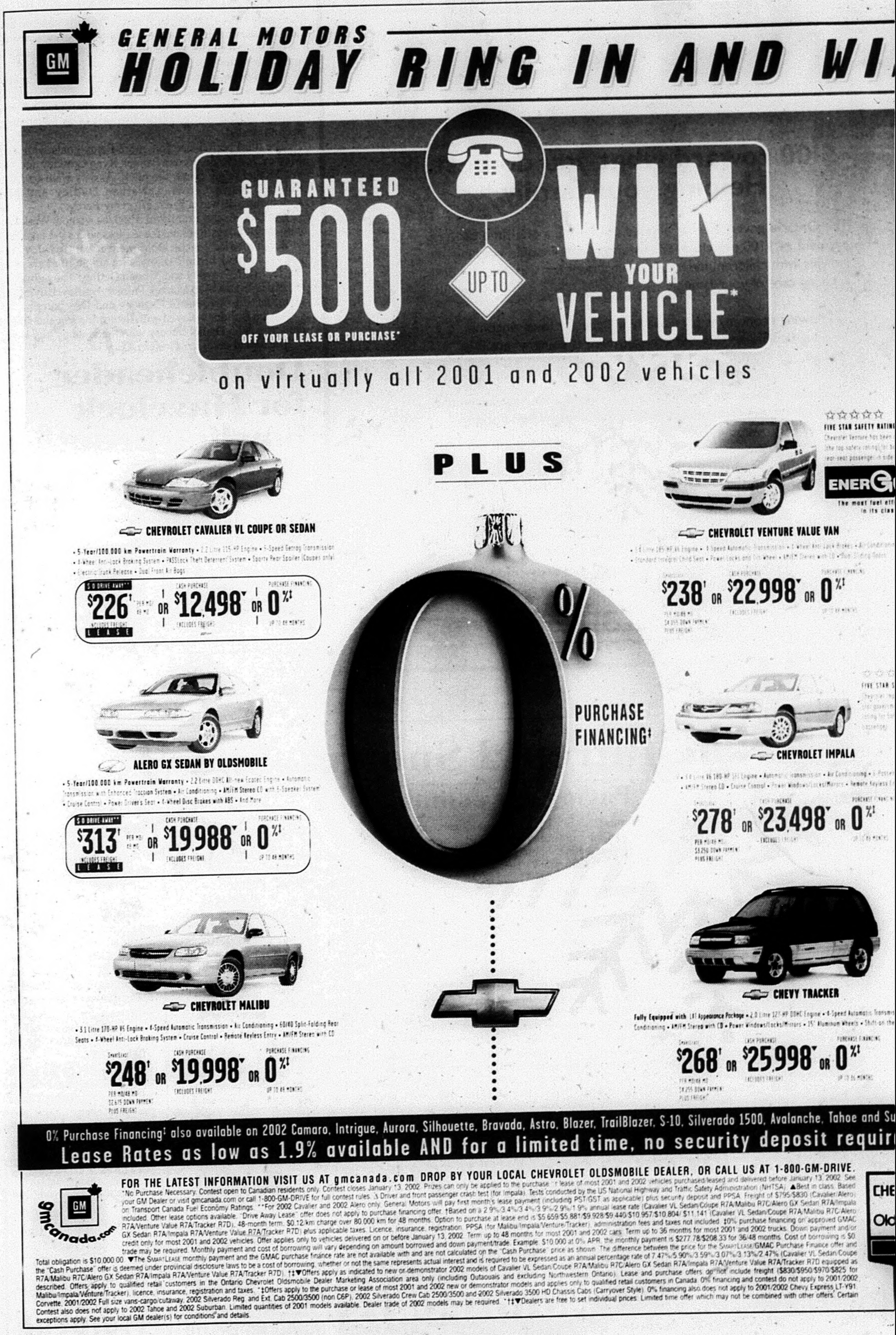
In the third period the teams cranked up the offences as the Chiefs took a 4-3 lead with four minutes to play, leaving the Rebs between the proverbial rock and a hard place.

But the locals responded. First Justin Lowe deftly tipped in Terry Weese's perfect crease pass to tie it. If you had to pick a Rebel player to win it who else but gunner Jamie McComb, who slid home a 15-foot backhander with just 63 seconds remaining.

General Manager Jim Peeling was extremely pleased with the win but just as disappointed on Sunday afternoon when the Rebels bowed 9-6 to the North Frontenac Flyers.

Peeling noted the weekend play was a microcosm of the Rebels' season to date. The Rebels netminding has been inconsistent just as much as the team up front. This day Jordan Ashley had a bad day at the office, yielding six first period goals. Mitch Unger, who had his own troubles on Saturday night, took over in the second period and was steady but the lead was insurmountable. Rebel marksmen were Geordie Nelson and Joe Curry, each with two goals, Mark Hogg and Justin Lowe.

Ice Chips: Rebels have released Cobourg native **Phil Dunn**, who has moved on to the Akeswasne Wolves in the ODHL. Peeling now has speedy **John Nagribianko** available to the Rebels from the Cobourg Cougars. Rebels have also announced the signing of former all-star goaltender **John Cranston** of the Napanee Raiders.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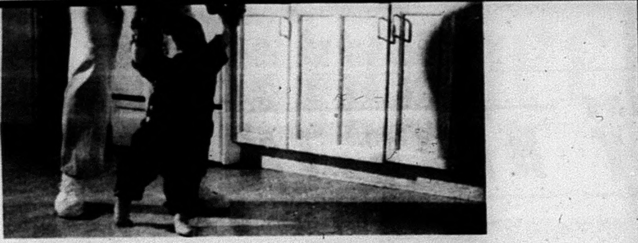

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Ontario

Bulldogs grab two big wins

Trent Hills - The Percy Atom A Bulldogs had no problem adjusting to the larger ice surface Colborne's beautiful new arena turning in an exciting effort that earned them an easy 7-3 victory.

Justin Massey scored the first Bulldogs' goal near the end of the first period with assists to Brandon Ingram and Justin Crowley. A smooth goal by Nathan Dudley in the second, helped out by Justin Crowley, was added in the second period.

The third period saw five more Percy goals with Justin Massey, Jon Boyle, Jordan Palmer, Ryan Crowley and Sawyer Michel firing home the puck. Assists went to Jordan Palmer, Justin Crowley, Nathan Dudley and Mike Deschamps. It was a great effort by Percy.

On Dec. 6, the Frankford Huskies visited Warkworth with the Bulldogs smoking the visitors with a 9-1 takedown.

Scoring twice for the Dogs were Ryan Crowley, Sawyer Michel and Justin Massey with single markers to Jon Boyle, Justin Crowley and Nathan Dudley. They got plenty of help with assists to Michel, Palmer, Dudley, Boyle, Jerry Haig, Jared Lowe, Justin Crowley and Deschamps.

All the Bulldogs played with determination and skill including goalie Daniel Savery who made many key saves.

The squad takes on Grafton Dec. 14.

Doubleheader for Havelock bowling beauties

By Eileen Young

Hastings - On Nov. 26 we had Camille Edwards with 160, Marg Hummel with 143, Eileen Young 200 and 194, Judy Ellidge 165, Evelyn Eldridge 142 and a triple of 391, Marg Greenly 213 and 195 and triple 545, Sandy Toms 177, Wanda Greacen 163 and triple of 377, Flo Taylor 176, Carole Trumble 163, Flo Duck 185, Heather Pflanzer 203, Shirley Bevan 160, Marie Kirby 151, Peggy Smith 182 and triple of 471 and Doreen Playne a 218.

And on Dec. 3 we had Donna Finney, who was in last year's **Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers Association Senior Tournament,** with games of 169 and 162, Fran Toms 195, Eileen Young, who was in this year's **AIL (American Income Life) Canada Association Executives Championship,** had 225, Marie Glover 196, Evelyn Eldridge had a great day with 209, 152 and a triple of 456, Marg Greenly 201, Sandy Toms 182 and 206 with a triple of 525, Wanda Greacen had 147, Julie Norbury 177, Margo Masson, who was in last year's **Bowling Proprietors Association National Classified,** had great games of 202 and 225 and a triple of 607, Carole Trumble with super games of 199 and 181 and a triple of 527, Heather Pflanzer 213, Joan West 136, Shirley Bevan 167 and 169 and triple of 470, Margaret Brown with 127, Gerri Greenwood with 196 and 194 and Doreen Playne, who was in last year's **Hastings 5 Pin Bowlers Association Tournament of Champs,** was indeed a champ with her games of 199, 204, 236 and triple of 639.

As this will be the last article for 2001 we wish one and all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. As usual, this writer will be spending the holidays in B.C.

The Intrepid Snowmobiler

Paying a premium

By Craig Nicholson

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The price of a trail permit was not supposed to increase this season. The 268 OFSC clubs who vote on pricing had agreed to maintain the fee at its 1999/00 season level for a third winter. Permit materials were printed and distributed showing that lower price. Then, like a giant mogul in the trail ahead, insurance unexpectedly reared its ugly head.

Third Party Trail Liability Insurance covers landowners, clubs and volunteers in the event of claims arising from trail riding or related activities. Without trail liability insurance, all those associated with snowmobile trails would be exposed and trails would close. So it's not a question of having it or not, or even having it partially. The best landowners and volunteers deserve the best coverage and that's what the OFSC Trail Liability Insurance provides.

Unfortunately, the cost of providing it went through the roof this year. When OFSC clubs met for their annual meeting in September, the only premium on offer carried an astounding 883% increase over the existing policy.

Traditionally, the permit price includes an allocation for trail liability insurance. In anticipation of an increase, the allocation this year was 100% more than previously. Suddenly, there was not enough money in the existing permit price to cover insurance, so OFSC clubs voted for an increase of up to $30 per permit. Subsequently, a premium from another insurer was negotiated for only a 600% increase, and the 2001/02 permit fee was finalized at a $10 increase. But the big question is, why the premium hike?

A number of external factors came into play. An already hardening insurance market was worsened by the September 11th events, causing insurers to reassess all risks. Acquisitions and mergers had reduced the number of companies offering the liability insurance needed for OFSC trails. But the primary reason was blunt: the risk ratio for snowmobiling wasn't profitable enough for insurance companies.

This came as a surprise, given that only 25% of snowmobiling incidents occur on the OFSC snowmobile trails covered by liability insurance. Then those involved in snowmobile clubs were dismayed to hear that incidents involving illegal behaviour such as riding under the influence, speeding, not wearing a helmet and even riding nowhere an OFSC trail were being included in their risk ratio. Trail liability insurance was getting caught up in the pinch between society's failure to force individuals to take full blame for their own stupidity and negligence, and its current propensity to make all of us pay for the unacceptable personal choices that others make.

And that's the bottom line, folks. A few irresponsible and careless snowmobilers are costing all of us $10 more for our permits this season. Personally, I think it's unfair and worry about how high up is. What's your take? Until next time remember to be a Safe Rider this winter. For trail condition reports check ofsc.on.ca.

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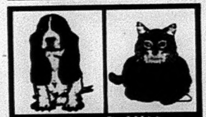

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Requirements: Successful candidates will have a Grade 12 diploma and be able to provide a satisfactory police and Children's Aid Society screen. Successful candidates have excellent knowledge of pregnancy, infant and child care, breast feeding and parenting skills as well as knowledge of community resources.

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Qualified applicants should apply in writing no later than **4:30 pm on Friday, January 11, 2002** to Fiona Gowing, Director, Family Health, Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit, 108 Angeline Street South, Lindsay, Ontario, K9V 3L5, (705) 324-3569, fax (705) 324-0455, e-mail: fgowing@lindsay.hkpr.on.ca.

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We would like to thank all applicants in advance and advise that only those selected for an interview will be contacted. All information is collected solely for the purpose of job selection under the provisions of the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.*

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Elimination bowling tourney

By Eileen Young
(Special to *The Star*)

Hastings - Dodds Lanes was the scene of unbridled excitement Dec. 9 as our members bowled in the "Elimination" tournament. This is a form of round-robin, starting out with a set number of bowlers and each round whittles the numbers down by half.

The semi-final round has eight bowlers competing for a winner and runner-up on both the "A" and "B" side. We had a tie-breaker game for the "A" runner-up between Giovanni Givca from the Tuesday Night League and Amy Sherritt from the Friday Night Mixed League.

Giovanna came out the "A" runner-up winner and Glenda Glenn from the Monday Night Mixed League was the "B" runner-up.

The "B" winner was Mary Tucker, also from Tuesday Night Mixed, and the overall winner was Joan West from the Monday Afternoon Ladies League. Mary was last year's "A" runner-up.

Stolen Property

In the early morning hours of Dec. 7th, OPP officers and the Central Region Street Crime Unit executed a search warrant at a Brighton residence on County Road 27. Recovered was a stolen Honda ATV. Charged with possession of stolen property are Brian Rayner, 42; Adam Rayner, 19, and Justin Rayner, 18, all of Brighton. The recovered ATV had been stolen from a Cramahe residence.

Over Legal Limit

Noticing a motorist failing to stop at a controlled intersection in Cobourg, an OPP officer approached the stopped vehicle and noticed an odour of alcohol on the driver's breath. The driver failed an approved device.

Charged with mgs is Stephen 29, of Cobourg.

Bradley nets four

Otonabee - Ray Bradley fired in four goals to help his team to a convincing 5-0 win over the Otonabee Wolves Dec. 9.

Jeff Quinlan picked up the shut-out as the short-staffed Hornets turned in a strong team effort to pick up the win. David Andrew added the other Hornets goal.

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Liberals bring down a fifth balanced budget

December 10, 2001, Ottawa, Ontario — "Despite the unsettled times in the aftermath of the terrorist attack on September 11 and the economic slowdown around the world, the Government has brought down its fifth balanced budget," said Larry McCormick, MP, Hastings-Frontenac-Lennox & Addington. "We have held to our values and principles – the 2001 federal budget demonstrates fiscal prudence *and* social responsibility.

The Government's fundamental goal and commitment is to build a strong economy, a secure society, and to improve the quality of life of all Canadians. Budget 2001 delivers strategically on these commitments.

Budget 2001 provides federal spending worth $9 billion this year, and $11 billion next year. This targeted spending, combined with the tax cuts now flowing through the economy, are providing $26 billion (or 2.4% of gross domestic product) in economic stimulus this year, and $31 billion next year. An investment of $6.5 billion in a comprehensive set of measures will increase security for all Canadians plus $1.2 billion for border initiatives to ensure efficient trade with our biggest customer, the United States. Significant investments are being made in green infrastructure, environmental initiatives, skills and learning, research and innovation, and health, which will directly improve our quality of life.

"Managing an economy through tough times means striking the right balance. This budget does that. It builds on the strong fundamentals Canadians have worked so hard to achieve," said Minister of Finance Paul Martin.

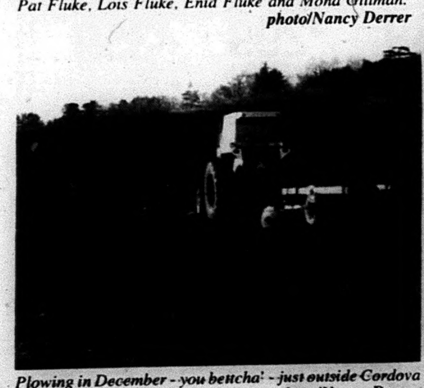
The people of HFL&A will be particularly interested in the help announced for small business to meet immediate cash-flow needs. By deferring their corporate tax instalments for January, February and March 2002 for six months, $2 billion will remain in the hands of small business over the next few months while border measures and the global economy adjusts. Also, the popular SchoolNet and Community Access programs are being extended to 2003-04, at an annual investment of $40 million. In addition, $35 million a year for three years is being set aside for broadband expansion. The Government also reaffirms its commitment to create a new, integrated and financially sustainable agricultural policy.

"These are only a few of the highlights of the 2001 budget," Mr. McCormick noted. Details are available on the Finance website (http://www.fin.gc.ca) or by calling the information hotline (1-800 O CANADA; 1-800-622-6232).

For further information or to arrange an interview with Larry McCormick, please contact Kathryn MacDonald: 613-992-3627

To review previous news releases and *McCormick Memos*, go to: http://www.larrymccormick.net/ on the web.

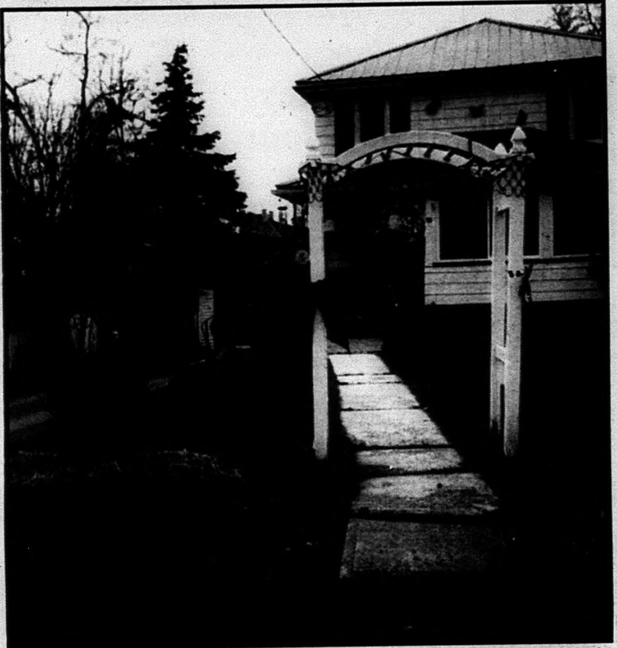
Four sisters got together at the Crowe Valley Lions Club cider party in Memorial Park December 1. Left to right: Pat Fluke, Lois Fluke, Enid Fluke and Mona Gillman. **photo/Nancy Derrer**



Plowing in December - you betcha! - just outside Cordova Mines on December 8/01. **photo/Nancy Derrer**

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Dreaming of a white Christmas



13 North Hastings is all dressed up for Christmas - all that's needed now is snow for Santa's sleigh. **all photos/Nancy Derrer**

42 Madoc Street is another Marmora house nicely decorated for Christmas.

Santa's already peeking in the window at 33 North Hastings Street in Marmora.

November euchre scores

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Men's Tom Dwyer 68, Henry Fluke 66

Nov. 9
Ladies Vi Ward 71, Marion Bronson 68, Marianne Taylor 68
Men's Harold Rush 69, Bob Sine 67
MLH Ted Bedore, Bob Sine, Vi Ward – 4

Nov. 16
Ladies Priscilla White 73, Marjorie Bedore 71
Men's Mary King 93, Doc Parkin 73
MLH Mary King - 8

Nov. 23
Ladies Isabel Wolsteinholme 74, Marion Bronson 73
Men's Doc Parkin 77, Tom Dwyer 73
MLH Jim Dwyer, Doc Parkin – 4

Nov. 30
Ladies Marjorie Bedore 71, Jean Pacaud 68
Men's Marjorie Doyle 77, Bob Sine 72
MLH Marjorie Doyle - 7

OPP Report

Belmont pair face drug charges

Belmont Twp. - Two Belmont Township residents face drug charges after members of the Kawartha Combined Forces Drug Unit executed search warrant and discovered marijuana and growing equipment.

Charged with production of a schedule II drug and possession of a schedule II drug over 30 mgs were 32-year-old Alex Caldwell and Teresa Caldwell, 30.

Teens nabbed with stolen car

Havelock - Three young offenders were nabbed at Havelock's Rotary Park Dec. 10 after a car that had been stolen earlier in the week from a Peterborough restaurant was spotted and police notified.

The car, a 1989 Pontiac Grand Am had been stolen at around 1:30 am on Dec. 8 from the parking lot of the Pizza-Pizza restaurant on George Street in Peterborough.

The Grand Am was seen at Rotary park around 10 pm on Dec. 10 and police were called and they located three male youths walking in the village.

After an investigation the three teens, 16 and 17 years of age, were charged with possession of property obtained by crime.

All three were released and will appear in court at a later date.

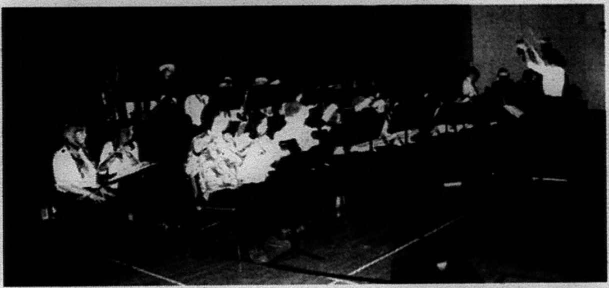
Cadets help the Legion in many ways...Selling Poppies is one w

At the annual Madoc Cadet Corps Christmas cadets who had helped with the Madoc Le Campaign were given Certificates of Apprec work they did last November. Receiving th were Melissa Cooney, D. Fraser, L. Fraser, MacLeod, G. MacLeod, W. Matacheskie, Redding, D. Thompson, R. Matacheskie. P awards on behalf of Branch 363 Madoc Legi McGlaughlin, Poppy Chairman. The cadets up to receive the certificates by CWO Leslie

CHSS holds Christmas Festival

Madoc - Centre Hastings Secondary School Arts Departments held a Christmas programme which featured the talents of the music department, the visual arts department, and the drama department.

Entitled "A Christmas Festival," the programme featured the Junior and Senior Concert Bands, the Senior Music Class, the school Vocal Ensemble, many visual artists and the ever-effervescent senior drama class.



It was an excellent and entertaining showcase for the school. Here the Senior Concert Band plays under the baton of music teacher, Mrs. MacKenzie-Coates.
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Madoc Twp Girls 7-1 record in tourney

The junior girls volleyball team travelled to Tweed to paly in a volleyball tournament. The team consisted of Bailey McCullough, Joscelyn Barnett, Rebecca Laidlaw, Ashley Baker, Jocelyn Rollins, Lindsay Black, Riley Danfords, Katelyn DeClair, Victoria Foley, Andrea McAlarey, Brittany Gray, and Melissa Martin. The girls arrived at 9 a.m. and after a brief orientation the started the skills part of the competition. The skills competition consisted on three skills - serving, bumping, keep up (volleying). The Madoc Township girls finished first in volleying, 2nd in bumping, and 2nd in serving, giving them 26 out of a possible 30 points. This gave them 1st place in the skills part of the tournament. After lunch the game play began. The Madoc Township School girls played very well over the day with 7 wins and 1 loss. Congratulations girls, you did a great job, you showed great sportsmanship, and your skills speak for themselves.

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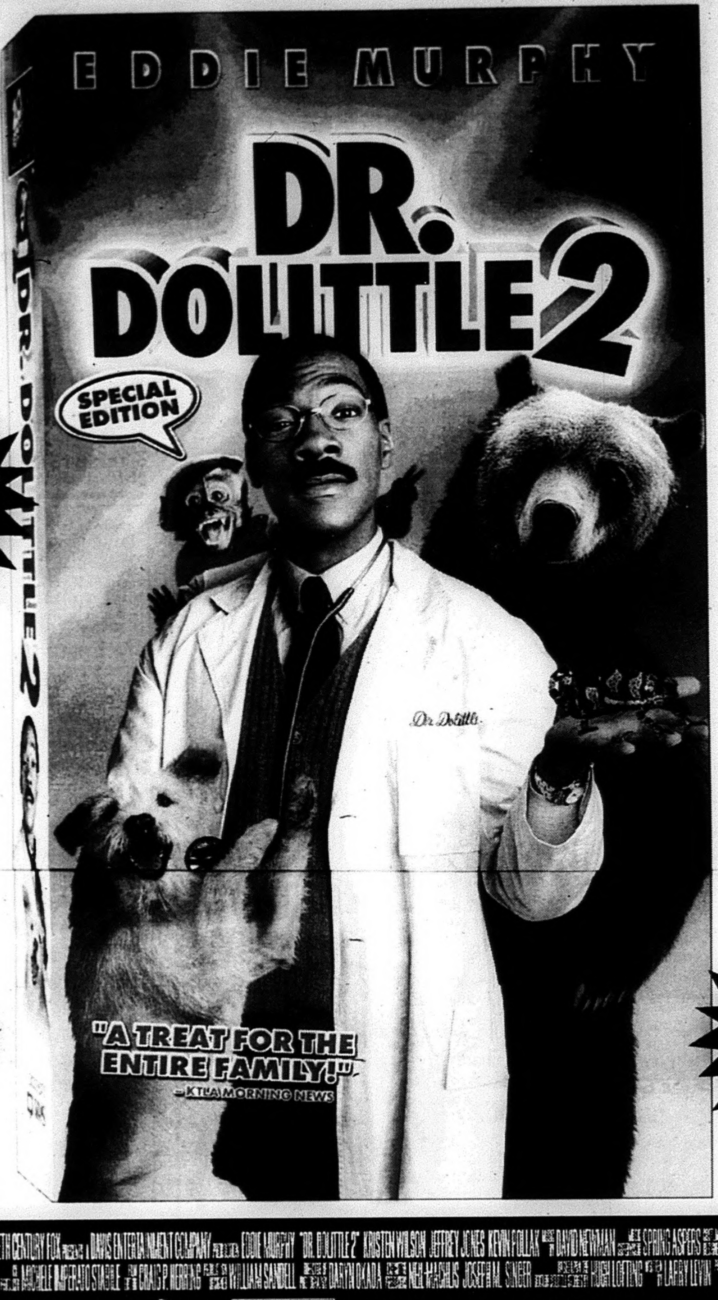

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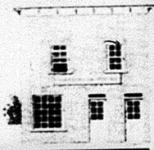

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The Qunite West Fire Deparment held their annual Christmas dinner at the Huntington fire hall on Dec. 18. They were happy to pose with the new equipment they have managed to aquire this year. Besides a "newer" truck they recently got five new helmets, four medical emergency kit bags, and a new "light version of the "Jaws of Life." Back row(l. to r.) Madoc Deputy Chief Elvin Wickett, Peter Todorowski, Chief Craig Horton, Tom Hassall, Celia Paperztian, Andrew Wood, Joe Coolen, Susan Todorowski, Gene Thompson, Beth Hachey, Greg Nicholson, Jeff Newman, Bill Allen, Stuart Kerby, Chris Paperztian, Steve Clarke. Front row Deputy Chief Huntington Hall Bill Pollock, Bryan Cook, Mike Kerby, Mike Newman, Randy Hachey, Dale Ashley.

R.I.D.E. check still on

The second week of the festive R.I.D.E campaign ran from the 06th to the 12th of December 2001. Centre Hastings officers were very busy during this time, stopping 1117 vehicles.

The R.I.D.E checks were done in various locations and municipalities.

Two drivers were charged with driving with over 80 mg of alcohol in 100 mL of blood. Another two drivers were issued 12 hour driving suspensions. Two other charges were laid.

No fatal motor vehicle collisions occurred in this time.

The public is reminded that the Festive R.I.D.E campaign continues until the 2nd of January 2002.

Detachment Commander Peter Valiquette states, "It is very encouraging forus to see such a small percentage to the public driving under the influence of alcohol.

CHSS Auction raises over two thousand dollars for Food Bank

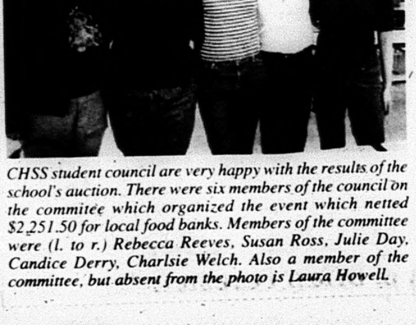
CHSS - Centre Hastings Secondary School held an auction on the morning of December 18, and raised over $2000 for the needy this Christmas.

The school's student council organized the event, soliciting businesses for donations to sell at the auction. The items, which came from businesses in Belleville, Madoc, Tweed, Marmora, Cambellford, and Stirling, sold for a very nice $2, 251.50 which will go to Food Banks in the towns of the businesses which contributed.

Six girls from the council were involved in making such a success of the event. They were Laura Howell, Rebecca Reeves, Susan Ross, Julie Day, Candice Derry, and Charlsie Welch.

The highest priced item at the auction was a pizza party which sold for $215. The second item was a gourmet dinner served right at your home by two teachers at the high school. This meal prepared by the Cooke husband and wife team sold for $160. Two teachers at the school kindly offered their services to auction the items; Mr. Trainor and Mr. Lee.

CHSS Student Council pleased with auction's success



CHSS student council are very happy with the results of the school's auction. There were six members of the council on the commitee which organized the event which netted $2,251.50 for local food banks. Members of the committee were (l. to r.) Rebecca Reeves, Susan Ross, Julie Day, Candice Derry, Charlsie Welch. Also a member of the committee, but absent from the photo is Laura Howell.

Thrift Store Draw Winners

On Monday, December 17, the Madoc Thrift Store held its Christmas draw. The winner was Elizabeth Koch of Tweed who will receive the first prize of a ceramic Christmas tree. Thrift Store customer Judy Breen (left)drew the tickets. The other ladies are (l. to r.) volunteer Margaret Snyder, Lillian Sandford who made the rug prize, volunteer Elsie Sanders, and Sylvia Quick who is the co-ordinator of the Thrift Shop. ***McClavey photo***

Christmas Sharing provides

Teacher Dan Walsh is a teacher at CHSS, but he is also a member of the Madoc Kiwanis Club. And he is very proud of the way that the kids at the school helped with contributions to the Food and Toy Drive which the Kiwanis Club ran to fill Christmas baskets for the needy this Christmas. Here Mr. Walsh (right) is with two of the students who worked hard at the food and toy collection, Amber Smith and Kendra Ramsay. Two other students who helped with the collection were Madoc cadets Bethany and Katie Holmes. The Cadets are assisting the Kiwanis in the distribution of the food boxes and the toys on Dec. 20.There's lots of food. Mr. Walsh, who is the co-ordinator of the Food and Toy Drive for the Kiwanis, says the school provided about 40 to 45 of the 243 boxes that have been prepared for distribution. The Kiwanis have acquired more presents than they had anticipated with their Angel Tree compaign in conjunction with the T.D. Bank.

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Christmas Eve

As quiet as a mouse on Christmas Eve;
I heard a big sound; a loud scary thud;
I saw Santa crouched peacefully near our big slanted Christmas tree;
I leaped out of my chair and screamed "My..my, I finally meet Santa Claus."
At last I meet Santa Claus.

Cassandra Preston, 8W, Madoc Public School

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Three Christmas Poems

by Jesse Pelley, gr. 5, Madoc Township Public School

Santa
Jolly Santa
Delivering presents
Bringing joy to the kids in the world
Father Christmas

Christmas
Jesus
Children giving
The best time of year
Noel

Presents
Small gifts, big gifts
Bouncing, singing presents
Wrapped in sparkling paper
Gifts.

Up on the House Top

Up on the house top
I hear sleigh bells ring
Up in the dark sky
I hear angels sing
Down through my chimney
I hear him shuffle about
He pops into my room
With a gleeful laughing shout
Under my glamourous Christmas tree
He plops many shining gifts
He smiles and winks at me
And back up the chimney he gingerly lifts
Up on the house top
I hear sleigh bells ring
Up in the dark sky
I hear angels sing

Jacqui Reid, 8W, Madoc Public School

Dear Santa,

All I want for Christmas is bones for my dogs.

Love Colin, 2B, Madoc Public School

What Christmas Means to Me

Christ's birthday
Holy Day
Rudolph's red nose
Icicles hanging
Santa is coming to town
Trees are decorated
Merry Christmas
Angels are singing
Santa's sleigh is full

Josh M., 3c, Madoc Public School

What Christmas Means to Me

Christ's birthday
Holiday cheer
Reindeer flying
Icicles hanging
Santa HO!HO!HO!
Tree decorated
Many presents
Angels singing
Snowflakes falling

Alyx Wilkins, 3c, Madoc Public School

Santa's Coming

by Brian Almeida, gr. 5, Madoc Township Public School

Santa's coming!.... Santa's coming to the Town of Madoc. All the people are getting ready for Christmas. They're putting their Christmas trees up and putting presents under the Christmas trees. There are people shopping for gifts for under their trees and for friends and family members. Santa's coming!....Santa's coming to the Town of Madoc.

Angels

(by Amanda Ellis, gr. 5, Madoc Township Public School)

It is Christmas and angels fly in the sky singing songs and crying, " Birds come back to that sky so we can fly happily." The birds come back one by one and wait for the day of Christmas Eve so the angels can sing songs of crying birds.

Christmas

Caring
Holy Night
Reindeer
Icicles
Sending cards
Trees
Making cookies
Angels
Sharing gifts

Jessica Allen, Madoc PS

Christmas Eve

Happiness
I get up hurriedly at the bang
I peek out the creaky old door
On the weakened old roof loaded with snow
I see Saint Nicholas.
Jamie Mitchell, gr. 8, MPS

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Santa Claus

Amanda, Madoc Public School

What Christmas Means to Me

Christ's birthday
Holy Day!
Reindeer are flying
Icicles are dropping from our roof
Santa Claus is coming to town
Tons of presents under the tree
My present is under the tree
Angels are singing
Snowflakes are falling

Dalton B. 3c, MPS

by Shannin Parks

Christmas

by Joshua Cooney, gr. 5, Madoc Township Public School

Christmas
Merry Christmas
Giving people presents
Merry Christmas to you from me
Merry

What Christmas Means to Me

Josh M., 3c, Madoc Public School

Christ's birthday
Holy Day
Rudolph's red nose
Icicles hanging
Santa is coming to town
Trees are decorated
Merry Christmas
Angels are singing
Santa's sleigh is full

Ode to the Grinch

The Grinch lived up on Whoville mountain.
Mr. Grinch was an irregular Who.
This Who liked Christmas when he was short.
One day the Grinch grew and grew.
The Grinch turned into an ugly, green, hairy monster.
This Who was very hateful.
The Grinch is a heartless bug
With termites in his mouth - It's disgraceful!
This evil Who lives in a dump.
The Grinch is very tall.
He hates Christmas. He had to get rid of it -
Get rid of it all.
The Grinch is super nauseus.
Mr. Grinch is very disgusting.
He is mean to every living thing.
His heart is so small -
It's most likely rusting.

MacKenzie Anger, gr. 5, Madoc P.S.

Dear Santa,

All I want for Christmas is for my grandmother to have a better cane, and for my granddad to have a Merry Christmas.

Love, Joseph
2B, Madoc Public School

What I Think Christmas is all About

by Jarrod Moore, grade 5, Madoc Township Public School

Christmas is about celebrating Jesus' birth. After his birth our world changed. Some children think Christmas is just about getting presents. But it isn't.

I think people give presents to remind us of what we got 100s of years ago. I think this year is like the time when Christmas started because of what is happening in Afghanistan. We give each other presents to show we care and to be like Jesus. Some people say Jesus is our saviour. The minister at the St. Peter's Church has taught me what Christmas is really about.

Taryanne Gr. 2, SJPS

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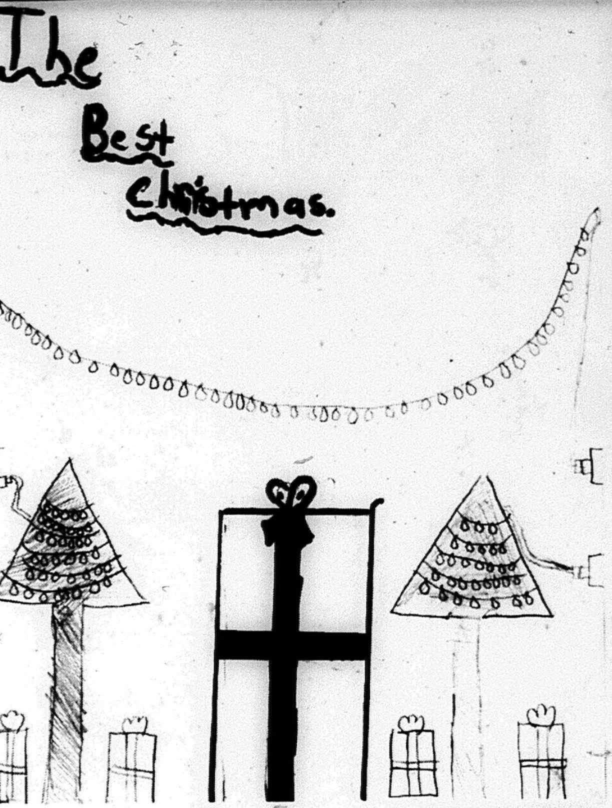

Cole Lynch
Grade 4P
MSS

SANTA'S TOY'S

This year Santa had to make his own toys because his elfs were sick. Mrs. Santa Claus didn't like Santa eating his candy with out doing work. So Santa had to hide his candy from Mrs. Santa Claus. Santa got letters from lots of children around the world. He didn't have anything to use so he used candy for differnet kind of toys.

Mrs. Santa was so happy for Santa that she gave him a lot of candy and a big fuge cake. Santa Claus thought and thought. Then starting with 18 pieces of bubble gum, he invented toys that were really different then what the elfs made. First he made that were really round with the bubble gum. He also made toys that sounded like wind in the trees or far a way. Music, slippery as ice or boisterous as storms, as changeable as dreams lots more things. That was the most magnificent Christmas children had ever known.

The End

Shawna Sovie
4P
MSS

Chantal thinks Mrs. Claus is very good looking

Dear Santa,
Please tell your elves thank you for making all the toys they made for me.
You don't have to bring me stuff.
Tell Mrs. Claus that I think she is very good looking. I like the way she does her hair.
We moved.
I like the old house better because I'm used to sleeping in the other house.
Have a safe trip!
I live in Riverside Pines.
Please come to my birthday!

Chantal Allore
Grade 4, MSS

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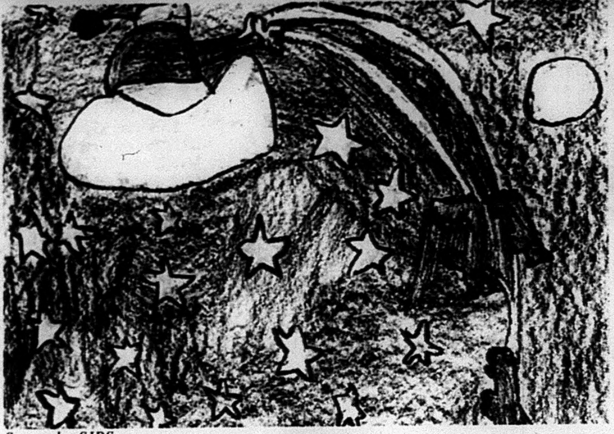

Samantha SJPS

Christmas at my House

by Samantha Gough, gr. 4, Stirling Junior Public School

Hi, I'm Samantha Gough. This is how I celebrate Christmas. Every year my family goes to my Grandma's house and we eat supper there. We have turkey and potatoes, and more. It is good!! Then we open presents. We get lots of fun jolly presents. I love Christmas.

Christmas is about celebrating Jesus' birth. After his birth the world changed...

Jarrod Moore

Ode to the Grinch

Oh, Mr. Grinch you're heartless!
You cost us such grief.
You stole all the Christmas decorations.
You're a bad thief.
You're desgraceful to everyone.
You are evil.
People think you are odd looking.
You're ugly as a crocodile.
You're such a rotter-
People have you all over.
Why aren't you like Harry Potter?
You're an irregular Who,
You're nothing are you?
When you come to town,
People call you scary.
You smell like a sour apple
People call you hairy.

Katrina Sorg, gr. 5, Madoc PS.

A Christmas Cinquain

by Jeff McCullough, gr. 5, Madoc Township Public School

Snowing
White and pretty
Santa is coming here
You can see snow com ing down
Christmas

Christmas Time

by Melinda Willman, gr. 5, Madoc Township Public School

It was Christmas time. All through the house the children were sleeping even the mouse.

The children were dreaming of the sugar plums they would get for Christmas and the wishes will come true. Saying all a good night and a Happy New Year.

Christmas Day

by Natalie Moorcraft, gr. 5, Madoc Township Public School

They went to play with their toys. The parents talk about everything. The Christmas tree was very nice.

On Christmas Day my family got together. We shared presents and food and love.

Then the kids went out to play in the snow. They went skating and sleighing on Christmas Day. Then the kids came in and had hot chocolate to warm up from outside.

Christmas Eve

It's Christmas Eve I cannot wait,
'cause all my presents hide in that noisy room.
I have to peek just once.
Now all the excitement has begun.
I open the door to see, but I get caught.
Will Christmas ever come to me?

Richard Rioux, 8W, Madoc Public School

Rudolph the Red

Red nose shining
Using his nose
Daring as can be
Ordinary reindeer
Lighting up his path
Prancing all about
Holiday lover

Lora Thrasher, Madoc Public School

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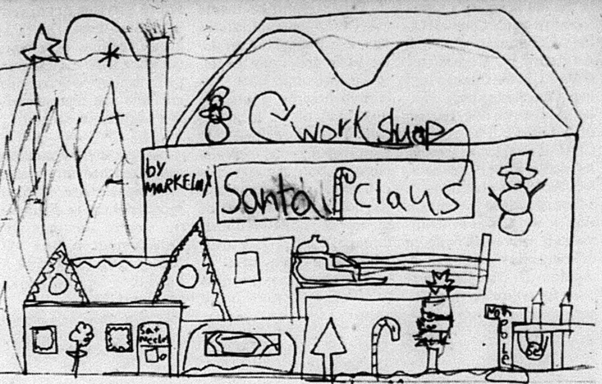
In the Spirit of Christmas



Mark Elmy
Grade 4
MSS

Santa Described

Suit is big and red .
Always checking his list twice .
Never sad, is jolly all the time.
Tiny elves making toys bigger than they are.
Arctic is where Santa Claus lives.

TIANNA HOPKIN
Grade 4

The North Pole

Michael Lowder

MSS

The best Christmas

On Christmas Eve I went to sleep so Santa Claus could come. I was hardly asleep when I heard footsteps on the roof. I heard a hearty Ho, Ho, Ho, and down he came suit and all. I went to the door and looked out. He had a rosy red nose and a snow white beard. He had a big sack over his back. Then he sat in my dad's big black chair and ate the cookies and milk. Then he saw me and said, "Hi there little one." I was too scared to move. Then I said quietly, "Hi Santa". He gave me a little teddy bear. He then took me to bed. I fell asleep quickly. In the morning there was a note and a little gift for me. The note said,

See you next year,
Melissa.
Love, your truly,
Santa Claus

The gift was a little china set. I loved it! It was the best Christmas I ever had !!!!!!!!

The End

Amber Morris
Grade 4
MSS

Dear Santa,

This year I do not want anything because my mom and dad are taking me and my brother to Florida. I can't stop thinking about it!! I have never gone any where that cool before! Have you? Thanks for all the awesome stuff from the last couple of years, I really like all the stuff you get me. How do you know how to get kids all over the World things that they like?

GOODBYE
CHELSEA WEBSTER
MSS, age 10

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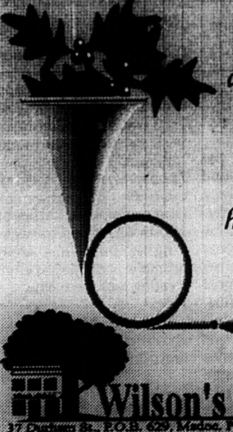

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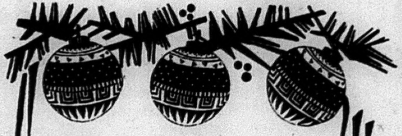

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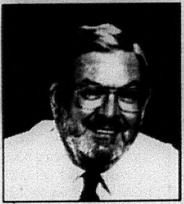

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MINOR HOCKEY REPORT

In a recent match up against North Frontenac, on Marmora ice, the Novice Grizzlies treated fans to an exciting game of hockey. Deep in the first period, Mark Thompson lit up the board for the home team, assisted by Brandon Danford. Three seconds later the Flyers made it a one all tie, to start the second. This period was a repeat as Mark banged home this goal unassisted. The tie breaker came from the visitors at 6:32 left in regulation time and remained unanswered, ending this one 3 - 2 for the Flyers, great game Novices!

Our Atom Grizzlies battled with Percy Twp. last Sunday in Marmora and although they fell short of the win it was a heck of a fight. The guys had a rough first period and that's what cost them the game. By the third they had mounted an incredible comeback and managed to get 5 goals past the opponents goaltender. Billy Maguire ate his Wheaties that morning scoring 4 goals for the Grizzlies, the 5th goal was put to bed by Andy Moore. Kurtis Jones, Adam Hughes and Harrison Shin earned the assists.

The big news this week should be our Bantam Grizzlies. These boys have been playing hard and winning games! Right now they are second in the Hastings and District Hockey League, only one point behind Tweed. They have been the A Champs in the two local tournaments they have attended and were shy one goal from competing in the final at Silver Stick. They weren't on their game as they traveled to North Frontenac last Saturday and came away from that one with a 1 - 1 tie. The Flyers came back on Monday and met up with a different hockey team! They mauled the competition and earned a 7 - 1 win. Dillon Carman (2), Brennan Tuckett, Chad McLean, Shawn Trotter, Matt Holland and Josh Moore scored the goals. Assists were posted by: Matt Holland, Justin Black, Brennan Vezina, Dillon Carman and Chad McLean. On Tuesday in Madoc, they played Frankford and pretty close to a loss against this team (they had beaten the Huskies by at least 5 goals in their previous 2 matches). They managed to squeak in a 4 all tie before the end of the game. Brennan Tuckett, Chad McLean, Brennan Vezina and Dave Hughes scored, Paul Hainle, Chad McLean and Brennan Tuckett assisted.

Upcoming hockey action: Madoc Arena - Fri. Dec. 21st at 7:30pm Peewee DD vs. Tamworth, 9pm Juvenile vs. P.E.C. Sat. Dec. 22nd at 1:30 Novice vs. Tweed, 2:30 Atom vs. Percy Twp. Fri. Dec. 28th at 7:30pm Bantam vs. Brighton 9pm Juvenile vs. Lakefield Sat. Dec. 29th at 2:30 Peewee AE vs. Belleville.

Marmora Arena - Sat. Dec. 22nd Peewee AE Tournament all day at 9:30pm Midget vs. Haveloc Sun. Dec.23rd at 4:30pm Peewee AE vs. Frankford Sat. Dec.29th Tyke Tournament all day Sun. Dec. 30th at 3:30pm Novice vs. Frankford.

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Finance Minister Draws Crowd to Napanee

December 17, 2001, Napanee, Ontario— Today, a capacity crowd turned out in Napanee to meet Paul Martin, Canada's Minister of Finance. Mr. Martin is on a post-budget tour across Canada. About 160 people from Hastings-Frontenac-Lennox & Addington, South Hastings-Prince Edward, and Kingston and the Islands listened to Minister Martin and participated in a question and answer session.

Paul Martin provided highlights from the December 6 budget to Members of Parliament, provincial MPPs, municipal mayors and reeves, and others from Chambers of Commerce and local communities. Minister Martin responded to wide-ranging questions from luncheon participants before meeting with the media.

Minister Martin spoke about the importance of setting a direction for the country in this new century that guarantees a place for our children to grow and prosper. Specifically, Mr. Martin discussed the challenges Canada and the world faces following the September 11 attack on the United States, its impact on us personally and economically. But despite the global economic situation, the Government of Canada has brought down its fifth balanced budget, the first time this has happened in 50 years. The budget balances our social and environmental responsibilities, the need for security, and economic stimulus.

"This was an excellent opportunity for people from the three ridings to discuss the direction of our fiscal policies," noted Larry McCormick, MP, HFL&A. Also attending was the Hon. Lyle Vanclief, Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food and MP for South Hastings-Prince Edward.

Contest Seeks Spiritual Poems From Marmora-area Poets

Great news for poets. The Texas Poetry Alliance is offering a $1,000.00 grand prize in their annual spiritual poetry contest open to the public.

There is no entry fee and everyone is invited to submit a poem.

"Our goal is to encourage new talent," says Poetry Director Larrie Green.

"In a world where poetry is the Cinderella of the Arts, we are helping poets to find their glass slipper. Spiritual poems, which may be written on any subject and using any style, tend to inspire the reader, thus our desire for entries of a spiritual nature."

To enter, send one poem 20 lines or less to: Free Poetry Contest, 3412 -A Moonlight Ave, El Paso, Texas 79904. Or enter on-line at www.freecontest.com.

The deadline for entering is January 18. A winner's list will be sent to all entrants. The editors reserve the right to publish the winning poems.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

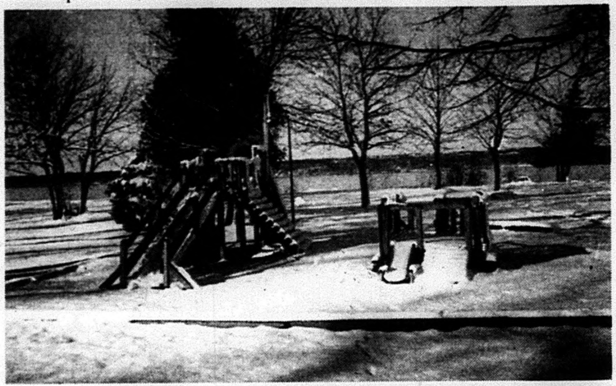
CPAC members hard at work

Marmora – Marmora & Lake Councilor Cathie Jones is the municipality's representative on the Centre Hastings Community Policing Advisory Committee (CPAC). In the Centre Hastings Detachment area, civilian governance is in the form of a CPAC. The role of CPAC is established through legislation in the Police Services Act. This committee is a form of civilian governance that a detachment commander will work with in defining and reporting to, in relation to strategic directions for police services delivered in the Centre Hastings Detachment area.

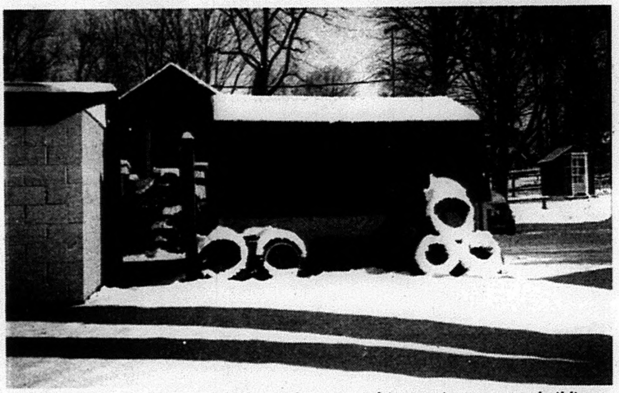
This committee meets every two months at various locations throughout the detachment area with the detachment commander. Accomplishments, goals and objectives of the local detachment, are reviewed. In these meetings members discuss not only the concerns of their individual communities but are working towards policing improvements through their guidance in the whole detachment area.

This committee is similar to a Police Services Board and they have adopted the code of conduct from the Police Services Act to assist in guiding them. The CPAC group consists of a representative from each municipality within the detachment area and that representative is a member of council.

All committee members can be reached through their municipal office or correspondence can be directed to the Centre Hastings OPP Detachment at Box 490, Madoc K0K 2K0 (589 St. Lawrence St. E.), marked attention CPAC.



No one was interested in the climbing equipment in Booster Park after the first snow.



Interesting patterns of sun and shadow and patterns of tires against a storage building at Booster Park.

photos/Nancy Derrer

C.H.S.S. News

by Jennifer Alexander

Students who are in grade 10 this year and wrote the Provincial Math test last year when they were in grade 9 are now waiting for their individualtest results to come back. The School Board was well above the provincial average, so the students are hoping to get the results back soon. This year's math assessment will be held the 17th, 18th and the 21st. Also, the rescheduled Literacy Test for Grade 10 students is February 14 and 15.

Last Thursday a new scoreboard replaced the old one in the main gym at CHSS, sponsored by Pepsi. The scoreboard looks absolutely fantastic and has definitely improved the look in the gym. The sign that hangs beside the scoreboard states: Home of the Centurions.

Christmas Sharing has been happening at CHSS for the past few weeks.The last day for the students to bring in the items was last Friday. In total CHIC believes that the school alone will be able to support eighty families in need in the surrounding areas of Madoc. As well the Christmas Auction, held on December 18, raised $2251. for Christmas Sharing.

Let's hope that we can make others have a warm and happy Christmas too! Merry Christmas from the CHSS student body to everyone in the community!

One of the houses in Drummond Subdivision in Marmora, all dressed up for Christmas with a fresh coating of snow. ***photo/Nancy Derrer***

In the Spirit of Christmas

Dear Santa,

All I want for Christmas is for every family that is poor to wake up Christmas morning to find Christmas cookies, fruit, and vegetables and milk and chocolate. I want them to have nice toys to play with and have the best Christmas ever.

p.s. I want a toy mouse for my cats

p.p.s. I want a new cat scratcher for my cats.

p.p.p.s. I want my Aunt Jane to get Barbies for Christmas.

Love, Jonathon, 2B, Madoc Public School

What Christmas Means to Me

Christ's birth
Holy Day
Rudolph's red nose
Ice is on trees
Stockings are hanging
Trees get decorated
Merry Christmas
Angels sing
Santa's sled

Mark T., Madoc Public School

Ode to the Grinch

There is an awful Who,
Who is so very mean.
He smells so terrible
You can tell he's green.
The Grinch decided that he would steal Christmas.
He started to sneak around.
He saw Santa leaving this place.
He slid down the mountain to town.
The mean old Grinch listened to the Whos.
They were so happy as they sang aloud.
He brought the sleigh down to the Whos.
The Whos were so happy they made a big crowd.
The mean Mr. Grinch stopped his evil plan.
His heart stopped resting and grew two sizes that day.
He was no longer disgusting.

Brooke Meraw, gr. 5, Madoc P.S.

Winter

Winter
Winter is fun
I play outside
in snow
Winter is my favourite season
Christmas

by Amber Blakely, grade 5, Madoc Township Public School

Nintendo '64 Games Christmas

by Joshua Cooney, gr. 5, Madoc Township Public School

One day a boy named Luigi got a letter from Santa and it said "Luigi, war gods are attacking my workshop!" So Luigi got in his airplane and when he got there Tok was The Leader who was attacking Santa.

Luigi called some of his friends - Kirby, James Bond, Joanne Dark, Fox, Bowser, and Ness.

When the battle was done the ground was all fire, ice, bombed, spiked, rocked, and shot. All the good guys were alive but the bad guys injured. Santa told Luigi and his friends that they had saved Christmas.

WhatChristmas Means to Me

Christ's birth
Holy Day
Rudolph's red nose
Ice is on trees
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Merry Christmas
Angels sing
Santa's sled

Mark T., Madoc Public School

"... For, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy..."
Luke 2:10

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Christmas Is On

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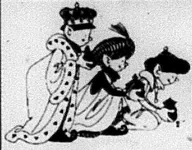

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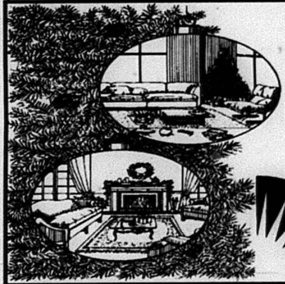

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In the Spirit of Christmas

Christmas

by Victoria Foley, Grade 5, Madoc Township Public School

Christmas
Bright coloured lights
Families eating feasts
Opened presents make me happy
Jesus

Megan SJPS

Mystery Present on the Day Before Christmas

by Kaitlyn Embury, gr. 5, Madoc Township Public School

The day before Christmas this little girl named Kassidy was excited that Christmas was the next day. She had to go to bed one hour earlier that night. When she went to head for the stairs she spotted a present. But her Mom told her to go to bed.

That night when her Mom and Dad were sound asleep she woke up. When she woke up and went downstairs she went over to the tree. Her Dad heard her laughing downstairs but he did not know what she was laughing at. When he woke up all the way he went to go check on Kassie, but she was gone.

When he went downstairs Kassie was on the floor beside Santa Claus with that mystery present that Santa Claus let her open early. Then her Mom woke up.

The Year Santa Claus never Came

by Katie Donovan, Grade 5, Madoc Township Public School

One Christmas Eve a little girl named Emily was so, so excited. She and her Mom were in her room wrapping her Dad's present and then they were going downstairs to put it under their Christmas Tree. But when they were coming upstairs they heard on the radio that Santa Claus was not coming this year because he was very sick and weak so Mrs. Claus would not let him go.

So all of the kids in their neighbourhood came out in sorrow and were crying and we all couldn't stop. When my Dad came home and saw us all crying, he came over to me and he asked me, "Why are you kids all crying?" And then I answered "because Santa Claus isn't coming this year." So he went inside and talked to Mom. Then I came inside when they were talking "Are we still going to have Christmas?" I asked in a low voice, and then my dad jumped up off the couch and smiled and then ran into this room. Then my Mom and I looked at each other and ran into the room and asked him what he was doing and he said he was going to save Christmas. My mom and both looked at each other and laughed. So then Dad went out to the kitchen and called Santa Claus up and Santa said, "Come down and get the sleigh!" So Dad went and picked up the sleigh. Then that night my Dad delivered all the presents!

The Special Santa

by Lee Lemmon, Gr. 5, Madoc Township Public School

This little girl and Dad and Mom were poor and they didn't have any money at all. They were very poor. Soon it would be winter and they couldn't buy any clothes and they didn't have heat. They couldn't buy presents for their family. Two more days until Christmas! They went to bed. Santa brought them a blanket and lots of money. They woke up. They found all of their stuff.

Merry Christmas to you!

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It's that time again....Is your dog sled ready?

It is getting to that time of year again when mushers' minds turn to thoughts of -- -no not that!--dog sledding.

Dog sledding has been going on for centuries and has become a popular event over the past 25 years. Not only was this a means of transportation, it now has become a popular racing sport.

Local participants from the area, Ontario, Quebec, and the U.S. participate in this event. We are under an organization called the Ontario Federation Sled Sport who issue valuable information regarding the training, feeding, and racing of dogs. Within this organization there is a Triple and Quad Crown. As Eldorado Gold Cup is part of the Quad, the following communities will be hosting mid-distance races. This includes Eldorado, Marmora, Kearney, Bancroft, and this year Wawa, Ontario.

In this competition the mushers must compete in four of the five races with total points given to each individual placement. The overall winner will be declared at the annual event in April 2002.

This year the Eldorado Gold Cup Sled Dog Races will be hosting their 7th annual race on January 12 and 13 in Eldorado at the Madoc Township Recreation Centre. This is located on highway 62 approximately 11 kms north of highway 7 from Madoc. The organizers are hoping to have over 35 teams, each team consisting on eight dogs, one sled, one musher. Each entry will cover the course of 40 miles on Saturday and 20 miles on Sunday for a combined time.

Cost per entry is $35.

On Saturday evening there will be a dance at the Community Hall from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Price is $5 per person in advance or $7.50 at the door.

On Sunday, following the the 20 mile race, the Little Nippers Race will take place. this year we are offering two classes for our upcoming mushers. There will be two different age groups, 4-9 years, and 10-14 years. The winner of the 4-9 group has the best time for one lap around the track. The 10-14 group must complete two laps. There is no fee for the Little Nippers races.

To enter in one of the Little Nipper divisions, you must register by 12:15 p.m. on Sunday.

The award ceremonies will be held at approximately 3 p.m. on Sunday afternoon.

On Saturday only the Centre Hastings Trappers will present a workshop of the public. The Ministry of Natural Resources and the North Bay Fur Graders are scheduled to be on hand.

On both Saturday and Sunday there will be displays of crafts, baking, cheese, maple syrup, and much more to attract your attention from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. We will also be hosting two local bands to play you favourite music. Have fun and sing along!

If you get the hungries while enjoying the events, a canteen will be available both days.

Souvenir button, coffee mugs are on sale, and there will be raffle tickets also. the raffle prizes will be a homemade afghan and pillows.

Come out, support your local team and enjoy a winter day with musher and fans Let it snow...snow...snow!! ...cause we want a race to remember, Race Eldorado!

For further information about attending or entering the 7th annual Eldorado Gold Cup Sled Dog Races, please contact Sandra at (613)967-2781, or Calvin at (613) 473-5505.

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Hope it's Merry

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From the Staff of the
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Santa's Coming To Town

Thank You
I want to express my thanks for all those who contribut
success of the Madoc Community Christmas Banque
past December 14th.
Special thanks goes to the people of Madoc Pentecosta
who worked many hours in preparing and serving t
Thanks goes to sisters Claire, Therese, and Antoin
served and also to Pastor Gordon Belyea and help
Madoc Baptist Church.
Businesses that contributed to the supper were: The
McConnell Funeral Home, Colonial Inn Motel, Yarr
Bob Smith Automotive Ltd., and Cheyenne's Floral Des
I want to give a special thanks to Mary Jane Shin and t
The Town and Country Restaurant for their contri
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for the donation of their facility.
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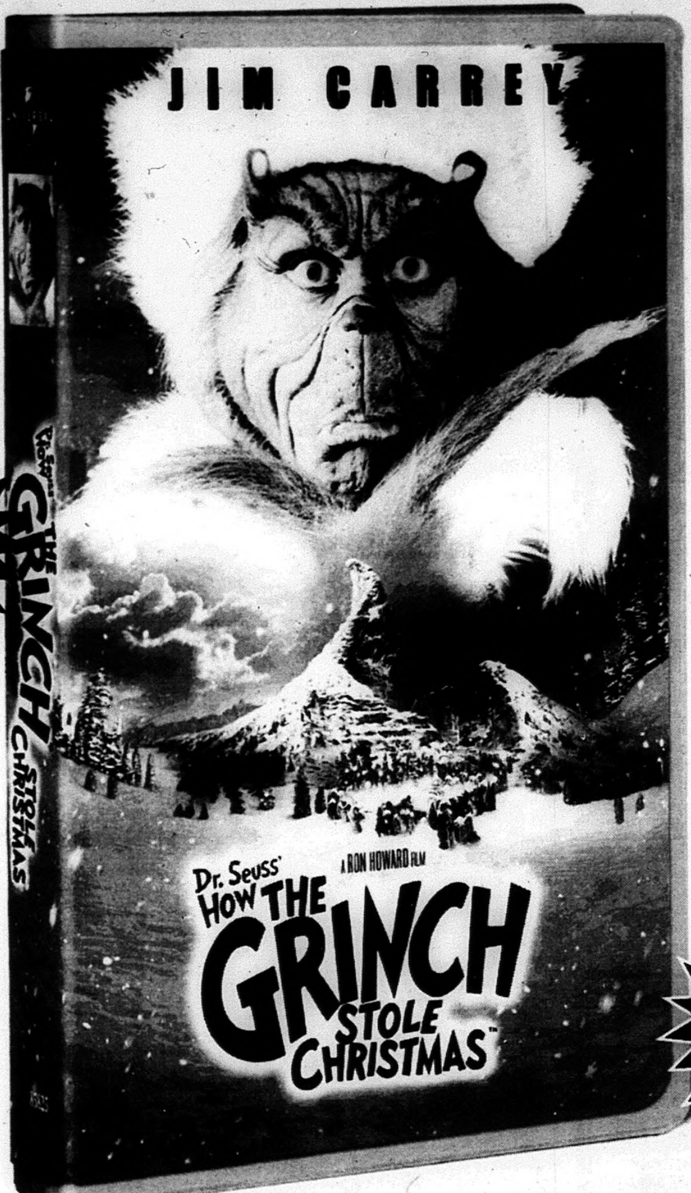

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In the Spirit of Christmas

A Christmas Eve Dilemma

One cold morning we were ready to go to Granny Sue's house for Christmas Eve. I knew it would be a long ride to St. Jacobs.

We packed all the gifts into the Jeep. Dad said: "No stops till we get to Aunt Tina's house!"

Mom was going to drive the Jeep and I said: "Buckle up."

It started to snow when Mom was backing out of the driveway. In two hours we were in Toronto. I couldn't wait until we got to Aunt Tina's house. I wondered what she got me for Christmas. I hoped she liked my gift. We arrived and Aunt Tina's house. She had long, curly red hair and she dressed cool.

Aunt Tina opened the car door. She put in four huge gifts. Dad said: "We have to get moving!" Aunt Tina jumped in the Jeep and said "let's go."

We were on our way to the 401 when the snow turned into freezing rain. Mom was driving real slow. she had to stop for 15 minutes. It was noon and everyone was hungry. So we stopped for lunch and when we came out it was snowing really hard.

Dad decided to drive. The snow ploughs hadn't been out yet. He hit a bump and lost control of the Jeep and went down a hill. We got stuck in the snow.

Dad said: "Find my cell phone."

I found it under the seat but it was broken. Everyone tried to stay calm, and Aunt Tina said: "Open one gift, maybe that will make you feel better."

Mom opened a gift. It was from Aunt Tina. It was a blanket that had her name on it. I opened one from Aunt Tina. It was mittens and a hat. Aunt Tina opened one from me. It was a fruit basket. Dad opened one from Aunt Tina. It was a cell phone as she didn't know Dad already had one. That made our day. Dad called 911. It was 9 p.m. and I was sleepy.

The tow truck came and pulled us out. It was midnight when we finally got to Granny Sue's house.

I was the last one up in the morning and we all enjoyed a big breakfast. We stayed until the 29th. Then when we started home it began snowing again.

Holly Doidge,
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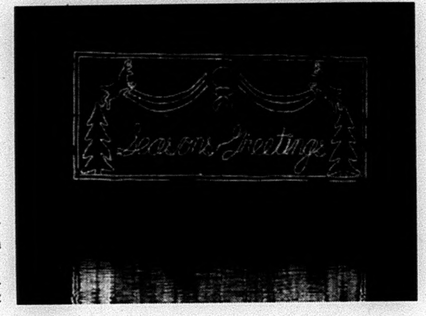

Reflection in the waterway of one of the festive signs in Campbellford's Showcase of Lights. photo/Rolly Ethier

A Wishville Christmas Wish

In a little town called Wishville there lived a little boy Joseph. His family was pretty poor and couldn't spend a lot of money on Christmas presents.

Three days before Christmas was Joseph's birthday. He didn't get anything for his birthday because they said: "It was to close to Christmas."

That night Joseph looked up at the sky and saw a beautiful bright star and said: "Star light, star bright, may I have a wish tonight. I wish I had a friend and that's all I want for Christmas." And he went to bed.

Joseph had a sister, Amy, and a brother, John. Even though Joseph is young he had a job at a barn to make some money for Christmas. That night Joseph was lying in bed and looked up at the sky and saw the same star he wished upon, except it was brighter and more beautiful. It was almost as if his wish was coming true.

The next day Joseph and his brother and sister were so excited because tomorrow would be Christmas. All day Joseph was wondering is his wish would come true.

On Christmas day Joseph thought he heard a dog bark. He woke up his family and ran as fast as he could. He found a puppy with a huge red bow. Joseph ran to the puppy and read the tag. It said: "Dear Joseph, here is a friend for you. Hope you like him. Love, you know who!"

Joseph looked up the sky and thought, "wishes do come true."

Denim,
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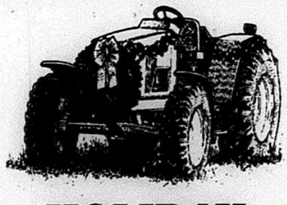

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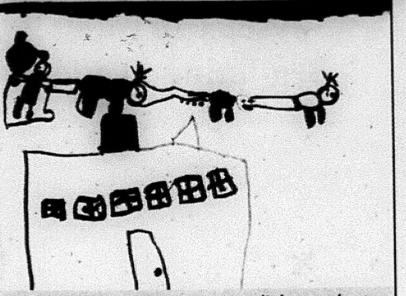


At Christmas I get presents. I put lights on the tree outside. I play in the snow. - Dylan Masters Grade 1, St. Carthagh's

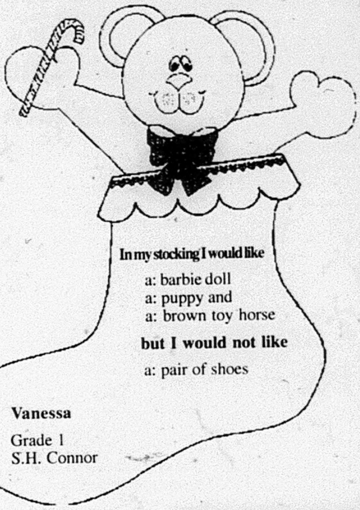
The Lost Reindeer

By Dillon Villneff

One day I went in the bush and I got lost. Then a strange litt man came and I was scared. He said "don't be afraid". He led me to Santas work shop. Santa came out of the workshop with his Reindeer.

They were scared and ran a way. Santa was sad. I said, "don't worry, I will help you." "It is to late,tomorrow is Christmas eve," santa said I said "come on, if Tiny Tim got a good Christmas eve so will we!" "You are right come on!".

We found the reindeer. Hurrah! When I got home Santa left me a not to Dillon thank you for helping me. Ho! Ho! Ho! Have a good Christmas From santa."



In my stocking I would like

a: barbie doll
a: puppy and
a: brown toy horse

but I would not like

a: pair of shoes

Vanessa

Grade 1
S.H. Connor

Santa's Game

On the 24th of December Santa forgot it was Christmas eve. So he sat down and ate his dinner but Mrs. Claus forgot to change the calendar (Santa never kept track of the days) he always let Mrs., Claus do that Mrs. Claus finally remembered and he was not even ready. He was sitting in his chair watching the hockey game. Santa was yelling "come on you can make it."

"SANTA" Mrs. Claus yelled, "it's Christmas Eve. You should get ready before it's too late."

"But," Santa cried.

"No buts," said Mrs. Claus.

"Ok," said Santa.

Mrs. Claus said, "I'll get the reindeer ready." So, Mrs. Claus went outside and put the bells on the reindeer and they were ready to go. When Mrs. Claus came in she heard "come on you can make it."

"Santa," Mrs. Claus yelled, "I thought I told you to get ready," she said in a loud voice.

"I'm going upstairs now," said Santa.

"Good," said Mrs. Claus.

When Santa came back downstairs he heard "Come on you can beat them."

The End

Rachelle
St. Carthagh's

I am in Santas Sleigh. You can open me. I have a bow on top of me. Santa puts me under your tree.
What am I?
A present.

By Jessie Snider, Grade 1 Denbigh Public School

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THE CHRISTMAS TIME PORTALS

One Christmas eve some children found a time portal and ended up at the North Pole. They saw Santa" workshop. They approached the window. The children saw Jack Frost taping up Santa to a Christmas tree. They vanished into thin air. The children opened the door to the workshop. They heard elves knocking on a door. The children released them. The elves asked the children to fill in for Santa. They accepted. All the presents were delivered to the kids. They saved the spirit of Christmas.

Shadoe Perdue
Grade 2
Earl Prentice

Christmas Poem

Cookies
Holly
Rudolph
I Love you
Sleep
Toys
Mother
Angel
Star

David Derrett
Grade2
Earl Prentice

Christmas

Christmas is special because it is Jesus' birthday and we celebrate for it. On Christmas we open up presents and We get toys to play with. I Love Christmas because I like seeing the lights light up On Christmas. I go to my grandma and grandpas, and when I get there I open presents.

Love
Danielle
Grade 2
Earl Prentice

It's not about presents

I Like christmas but it is not all about presents it is about Seeing far away family and when Jesus was born even Advent.

We go to church on Christmas eve and pray to Jesus to say "happy birthday". But Santa can you still get me a little present.

Amanda Hainle
Grade 4 age 9
Sacred Heart

Christmas is about love

Santa I would like to write some Christmas words if that's all right, I'll use you're initials in S-A-N-T-A C-L-A-U-S.

Star
Angel
Noel
Twinkle
A manger

Christmas
Laughs
Advent
Us
Son

I sometimes yell at my sister, and the yells at me, but I think that Christmas is about ...

LOVE!!

I think Christmas is about love because when you have Christmas with family, and friends you know they love you !!

I know that you're busy and you know that I'm busy, but each year, each month, each week, each day, each hour, each minute, each second, and each moment of my life I think about every body in the world who loves every body!!

By a citizen of the town Marmora
Nichelle Leeson

Jesus Christ's Beginning of life

The birth of Jesus on that holy day,
The whole world alights with joy and gay.

Thy angels look down on thy earth,
For the beginning of Christ's life his birth

Come, come thy wise men
Jesus has risen again.

With the flaming light of bethlehem
While the wise men rub the palm of his hand

Thy wise men look down whare he lay,
No crying no squirming at peace in the hay

William McLeod
Grade 5
MSS

Christmas Story

Once a upon a time. There was an angel he or she Went to three shephards he or she lied the. To a baby and the shephards went back home and got three prasant's and came back to the baby. One was a crown second was some mony third was some clothes. And then they called the baby Jesus. Thy end

Ben Ebsary
Grade 3
Sacred Heart

Colours

Red is the colour of Jolly Old St. Nick coming down my chimney on a cold and stormy night.

Green is the colour of the pretty prickly tree with the lights all shimmering in the dark.

Brown is the colour of St. Nicks reindeer all prancing and dancing on the icy roof.

White is the colour of the bright white snow all over the ground.

Silver is the tinsel my mom wraps the cookies with on Christmas Eve!.

Corrina Rittwage
Grade 4, MSS

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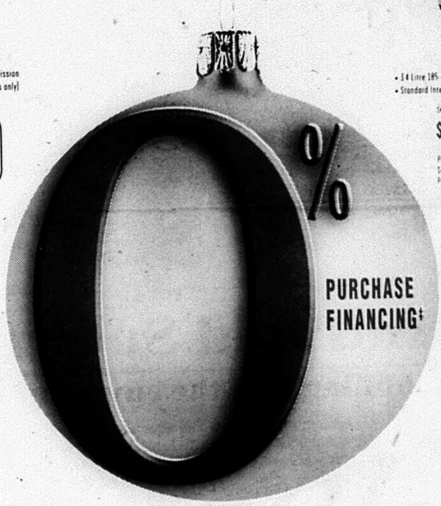

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By Michelle Wynne
Gr. 4, NDPS

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Cars and houses are
Ice at
Christmas time it is not
Legal to throw icicles
they also hag off
Evergreens

Santa Claus

By Chris M.
Grade 4, NDPS

Santa
Chuckles, delivers
fat, jolly, magic
He delivers the presents
St. Nick

Santa had his arms full during a popular stop at the Westwood Library branch.
Photo/Bill Freeman

Merry Christmas to All

By Nicole Bak
Gr. 5, NDPS

My life
Everybody
Remembering other
people
Remembering everybody
Young

Cherry
Have
Remember
Is
Sweet
Timing
Merry
And
Sorry

What Christmas Means

By April Noddle
Gr. 5, NDPS

Christmas means it is time to celebrate Jesus Christ's birth. We give gifts to celebrate Jesus's birth. Christmas is not about getting, but about giving.

I spend Christmas with my mom, dad, and my three sisters Jenn, Shannon and Robin.

I would say I was a very lucky girl to have a great family like this.

Best wishes to you

There Once Was an Elf

By Amanda Wilson
Gr. 3/4, Hastings

There once was an elf
Who built shelf
The shelf was filled with toys
For all the girls and boys
The boys were happy
The girls were in gloom
Because all they got
Was a dustpan and broom

The Moon In Winter

By Ashley Langford
Gr. 6, Hastings

The moon hangs
up at night
her beams cold
and bright
seeing her shadows low
the water is frozen though
oh how I love
watching the snow
as the cold
wind blows
and the icy water flows.

Christmas Is...

By Chris Irvine
Hastings

Christmas is
Green Grinch
Santa's Sleigh
Happy Elves
and Jingle Bells

The Elf

By Jessica West
Gr. 3/4, Hastings

The elf said, "I think I must go to bed
so I can get toys out of my head."
He put on his PJ's and his cap
and got comfortable for his night time nap.
He was asleep in no time.
He dreamed of toys all in a line.
He woke and said,
"Toys aren't so bad.

The Intrepid Snowmobiler

Snowmobiling and the environment

By Craig Nicholson

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While snowmobiling may appear to be prolific, the total surface area actually occupied by snowmobile trails in Canada is only about 240 square miles, approximately equivalent to the size of one medium urban centre. So snowmobile trails, where the vast majority of riding occurs, occupy only a tiny speck on Canada's total land mass, and are used three months a year or less.

Studies clearly demonstrate that maintained snowmobile trails are the best way to dissuade riders from random cross-country travel. The 99% of Ontario riding occurring on groomed trails ensures that sleds stay where they belong and move expeditiously from one point to another with only a fleeting presence in any one place. Moreover, these hard-packed surfaces increase the winter- survivability for many animals who conserve energy by using them to forage and travel.

What about air pollution? Figures extrapolated from a University of Minnesota study, and compiled by snowmobile journalist C.J. Ramstad, indicate that the 1.3 million snowmobiles then operating in the U.S. consumed about 41.5 million gallons of fuel annually. But apparently, 1996 U.S. Department of Transportation statistics for all road vehicles (including locomotives and over the road combination semi-trailer rigs) show consumption of 146 billion, 676 million gallons of fuel each year, about 3,534 times more than all snowmobiles combined.

So snowmobiles accounted for only .032% of the total U.S. motor fuel burned annually at the time of these reports. The equivalent Canadian percentage, representing about 90% fewer people, would be minuscule And last year, after new testing procedures for snowmobile engine emissions were approved, the EPA revised its snowmobile emissions numbers downward by a whopping 335%, confirming that snowmobile emissions are hardly significant in the big pollution picture for the internal combustion engine.

So what about sound levels? Technological advances have reduced them by 94% over the past 30 years. Today, it would take 256 current sleds revving together at full throttle to equal the sound output from one of those early machines. In fact, a current sled puts out comparable sound to an average pick up truck!

Snowmobiling has been getting a bad rap because of a proliferation of inaccurate information and junk science. A recent attempt in the U.S. to close national parks to snowmobiling failed in large part because the rationale was based on faulty data. This is not to say that snowmobiling cannot be improved, but it's already a lot better than frequently portrayed. And with the advent of four stroke engines, fuel consumption, emissions and sound levels will decrease even further. Until next time remember that snowmobilers care about the environment too. For trail condition reports check ofsc.on.ca .

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Aaron is off to national junior world team trials

Local athlete continues meteoric rise

Asphodel-Norwood - Asphodel-Norwood's own Aaron Sadlier has accepted an invitation to join the best Canadian junior (Under 19) short track speed skates to vie for a spot on Canada's national junior team.

This is a nice cap to the first half of a very successful 2001 season for 14-year-old Aaron -- a season that has been full of challenges and one that has seen his list of incredible achievements get longer with each passing meet.

Unlike last year, Aaron has been skating with the best of the best this season in Ontario Speed Skating Association sanctioned events ion the Men's Open "A" Class.

He has also been successful in the very competitive Can Am events going head to head with the best Under 19 juniors in North America.

No longer skating against athletes his own age, young Aaron has been skating against 16 to 22-year-olds and faring very well.

In November in Cambridge, Aaron skated to a third place bronze, won the 1000 meter event then added another bronze in the 500 metre sprint.

He followed that up with an excellent performance in Saratoga Springs, New York at the Can Am #2 America's Cup placing 34th overall and showing improvements in all aspects of his racing technique, strategy development and execution.

Competing against members of both the American Olympic and Junior World teams, Aaron was forced to take his skating to a new level.

Following the competition, Aaron learned that he was expected to show up and compete at the 2001 Junior World trials in Montreal. Not expected to place in the top 20, this will be the first of five trips the young skater is eligible to make in attempting to gain a spot ion the Canadian Junior team.

Having started the season in Montreal with a time of 47.17 seconds in the 500 meters (4/100ths of a second off the Ontario juvenile boys all-time record), Aaron entered his junior eligibility year knowing he would have to shave time off to remain competitive.

He therefore set a very lofty goal -- to skate a 44.99 in the 500. This would place him amongst the very best junior skaters that have ever skated in Ontario.

In London on Dec. 3, Aaron skated a very strong preliminary heat and qualified to skate with Ontario's best: Richard Shoebridge of Cambridge, Nicholas Bean of Ottawa and Michael Teat of Cambridge.

Ready to make his move: Aaron Sadlier, second from right, sets himself up to pass to take the lead in the 1000 metre final at Can Am Elite America's Cup # 2 event in Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

Aaron skated as though he was on a mission, and despite a very poor start he pursued Richard for the entire race crossing the finish line in 45.50 seconds to become the first 14-year-old in Ontario to break the 46 second barrier.

Heading to Montreal for the trials Dec. 22-23, Aaron is both excited and nervous. He recognizes that he has, in two short season, taken his sport to a level that few ever achieve in a lifetime of skating. Now in this third year he is somewhat daunted by the prospect of competing with the very best of the best juniors Canada has to offer.

The format for the trials is such that Aaron may only skate one race. Each skater qualifies to skate for the rest of the weekend based on a 777 meter pursuit event. If he places in the top 16, he will be invited to continue skating for the rest of the weekend.

> **"For the first time on the national scene he will have the attention of Team Canada coaches, managers and directors."**
> **Paul Shoebridge**
> **Aaron's coach**

If he does make the cut, he will then have an opportunity to skate for a team position by placing in the top three over the two-day competition.

When asked about Aaron's chances at the junior trials, his Ontario coach and friend Paul Shoebridge smiles and says: "He won't make the team but Aaron is going to turn an awful lot of heads.

"For the first time on the national scene he will have the attention of Team Canada coaches, managers and di-

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Atom A Hornets have perfect week

Asphodel-Norwood - The Archer Trucking Atom A Hornets picked up all four of their possible points with wins over St. Alphonsus and Otonabee.

They started off with a close 3-2 victory over St. Alphonsus. It was an exciting end-to-end game with Norwood scoring with 2:45 left to play to seal the deal.

Finding the back of the net were Jeremy Olver, with a pair including the game winner, and James Moore. Assists went to David Lobb, Andy Slack, Eric Gallagher and Chris Klompmaker.

Next was a 6-0 shutout on the road in Keene with Nicholas starting the offense five minutes into the match. Olver continued his scoring streak with two more while Moore, Alex Christopoulos and Lobb added singles.

Picking up assists were Thomas Teasdale, Eric Crowley, Moore, Orton, Spencer Anderson and Slack.

Good pinching by Pearce McIlmoyle, Giles Hall, Clayton Leeming, Spencer Anderson, Philip Heron and Chris Klompmaker helped the cause.

Mark Bitten picked up the shutout.

In the coaching department this year is head coach Murray Lobb, assistant Albert Crowley, trainer Tim Klompmaker, assistant trainer Eric Gallagher and manager Beth Lobb.

Pee Wee Hornets edge Wolves 3-2

Asphodel-Norwood - The Norwood PeeWee Hornets hosted the Otonabee Wolves in recent action, coming away with a 3 - 2 win. A slow start on the Hornets part allowed Ben Olver of the Wolves to score unassisted in the first period.

Norwood's Jordan Wrightly tied things up mid-way through the second with a lovely shot, assisted by Sawyer Gerow. Otonabee went ahead late in the second with Olver setting up Nick Spencer to slip one past Norwood netminder, Tyler Oliver. But, Norwood bounced back in the third, with an unassisted goal from Darren Rioux off the point. It looked like a tie was all she wrote for this Hastings & District League game until, with eleven seconds left on the clock, Jebidiah Huggins scored with assists to Ronnie Hughes and Greg Kavish. The PeeWee Hornets host the Douro Dukes in their last regular season game, Friday night.

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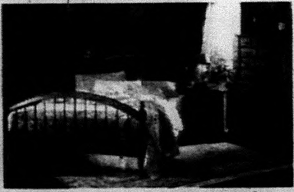

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NDFSC skaters are making all the right moves

Plenty of good things so far this season

Asphodel-Norwood - The Norwood and District Figure Skating Club is well into its 2001-02 season and its members, young and older, have already accomplished a great deal during the past five weeks on ice.

Coach Wendy Armstrong is pleased with the progress that has been made so far and wants to share some of the good news with people in the skating community and outside of it.

There are 13 skaters in the Club's "Star Program" ranging in age from six years and adult. They also have two adults skating in the adult program on Monday nights.

The NDFSC is again presenting "Skaters of the Week" awards. Wendy is proud to announce the winners from weeks two to five: Alex Lafrance (week 2), Heather Smith (week 3), Andrea Nelson (week 4) and Alicia Armstrong (week 5).

The Club has also given out a lot of badges over the past five weeks to skaters in the Intermediate Star Program.

Wendy says she is "excited to recognize the skaters who have passed and what they have achieved."

Earning these badges were:

Waltz Jump: Alicia Armstrong, Ashley Cureton, Alex Lafrance, Heather Smith, Kayla Beamish, Alisha LeBlanc, Kayla Moore

Salchow: Alicia Armstrong, Alex Lafrance, Nicole Loucks, Heather Smith, Ashley Cureton, Kayla Beamish, Alisha LeBlanc

Toe Loop Jump: Alicia Armstrong, Alex Lafrance, Nicole Loucks, Heather Smith, Ashley Cureton, Kayla Beamish, Alisha LeBlanc

Loop Jump: Alicia Armstrong

Flip Jump: Alicia Armstrong

Jump Combination: Alicia Armstrong, Alex Lafrance, Nicole Loucks, Heather Smith, Ashley Cureton, Kayla Beamish, Alisha LeBlanc

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Backward One Foot Spin: Alicia Armstrong, Alex Lafrance, Alisha Lafrance

Sit Spin: Alicia Armstrong, Alex Lafrance

Camel Spin: Alicia Armstrong

Field Movements: Alicia Armstrong, Alex Lafrance

Waltzing Threes: Alicia Armstrong

Waltzing Mohawks: Alicia Armstrong, Heather Smith

Expanding Exercises (forwards & backwards): Alicia Armstrong

Dutch Waltz: Alicia Armstrong, Heather Smith, Ashley Cureton, Alisha LeBlanc

Canasta Tango: Alicia Armstrong, Heather Smith

Baby Blues: Alicia Armstrong

First Skate Canada Test: Alicia Armstrong, Heather Smith

Congratulations to all the girls. Keep up the great work and effort!

The Club had a few skaters attend the first Skate Canada test Day on Dec. 7 in Warkworth. It was a very successful one. Jillian Lackey passed her "Fourteenstep" and Julie Rutherford passed her Senior Silver Dance (Paso) and also one of her Gold Dances (Quickstep).

The Club is very proud of both of these girls. Keep up the great work.

One of the Club's newcomers, Laura Barker, competed this past weekend in Bewdley coming away with a first place finish in the Preliminary Ladies B category over seven other girls. Way to go, Laura!!

Just a reminder to parents, the annual Shining Waters competition will be held Jan. 12-13 in Belleville. Good luck to all the skaters.

The Club is also holding another registration evening on Jan. 7.

Norwood novice B's play hard

Asphodel-Norwood - The Norwood Novice B Hornets travelled to Millbrook Dec. 15 for an intense contest against the North Stars. The Hornets played two good periods of hockey then seemed to run out of gas and when the dust settled the Stars had a 4-0 win.

The next afternoon the Stars were in Norwood.

The hard-working line of Meagan Barr, Colin Elmhurst and Chase Baptie connected on two goals late in the third period. Meagan scored a memorable goal since she demonstrated a triple axel before the shot. Colin notched the second goal with a breakaway.

The rest of the team deserves applause for their great work. Remember these names. Team officials and the fans are proud of each and every one of these young players: Mitchell Klompmaker, Luke Dufty, Luc Robitaille, Jacob Stinson, Clinton Coppaway, Rachel Bolton, Blake Redden and Joey Giacalone.

Wrestling Knights pin foes to the mat

Asphodel-Norwood - It has been around 20 years since the NDHS Knights last took to the wrestling mats behind the coaching of Jim Turner but the 28-member squad has wasted no time in mastering some moves and pinning opponents.

The team has been practising since Nov. 3 and has already distinguished itself at two area meets tallying four first place finishes, five seconds and four thirds and a trio of fourths.

At their debut meet in Fenelon Falls Ken Van Allen and Rhett O'Brien topped their weight divisions with Troy Mitchell placing second and Josh Watson and Josh Clark taking thirds.

Last week the team was at Kenner Collegiate with Troy and Ken taking top spot. Placing second in their divisions were Jesse Murphy, Brian Northey, Josh Clark and Corey MacLeod. Placing third were Rhett and Ryan Clapper.

Earning fourth place ribbons were Josh Denzau, Matt Strogan and Nathaniel Jobin.

Suiting up for the mens team are: James Jobin, Corey McLeod, Sean Whittaker, Matt Strogan, Nathaniel Jobin, Justin Jackson, Jesse Murphy, Rhett O'Brien, Mike Fee, Troy Mitchell, Josh Watson, Evan King, Josh Clark, Josh Denzau, Ryan Clapper, Ken VanAllen, Will McEwan, Mike Gerow, Jeremiah Jobin, Tyler Mainland, Dexter Hiltner, Brian Northey, Kevin Archer and Mike Toms.

On the ladies team are: Amanda Cameron, Tabitha Johnston, Stacey Prairie and Erika Pulfer.

Aaron Sadlier continues to dazzle

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rectors," Mr. Shoebri notes. "For a gruelling meters he skate du which these guys wil wondering what future young lad has in our Nat program."

And what does the r skating star have to about all of this?

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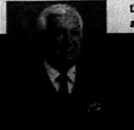

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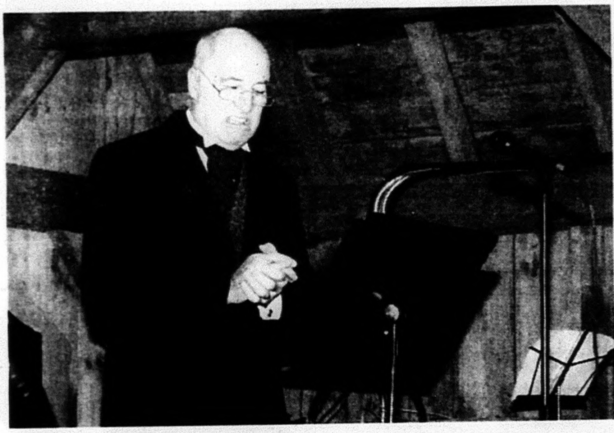
The Musical Magic of Westben Christmas Cabaret

Old Santa Claus arrived on the scene and surprised the audience with an outstanding tenor voice. He came down off the stage and delighted some first row members of the audience.

The surprise Santa Claus turned out to be international tenor Mark DuBois, who joined hometown soprano Donna Bennett in a crowd-pleasing duet.



Anthony Paton, the man who played the Crier of Philistia in the Westben production of Samson earlier this year, used his superb voice for an enjoyable reading excerpt from Scrooge.

The Two And a Half Tenor Trio (not sure who played the half role) of Tom Sharpe, Bill Reid and Lorne Hagerman regaled the audience with their imitation of the Three

Grand Prize Winner--Marie Glover is flanked by Debbie Carswell and Brian Finley of Westben Arts Festival Theatre as she receives her cheque for $10,000 as the grand prize winner of the Westben's Win 88 Grand Raffle. Marie had the option of taking a beautiful Kawai Grand Piano or the money, and although she does play piano, she couldn't accomodate the size of the six-foot-10 grand in her home. **photo/Rolly Ethier.**

Heart-warming Christmas at The Barn offsets the chill

Marie Glover a $10,000 winner

By Rolly Ethier

The weather inside was frosty but few noticed as the timely Christmas music warmed the heart and spirit.

Last Saturday afternoon's Christmas Cabaret at The Barn not only produced a winner in Westben Arts Festival Theatre's Grand Piano raffle, it also produced an enjoyable program in a festive setting, featuring lots of carols, and complete with a surprise mystery guest.

Highlighting the program, international tenor Mark DuBois, who played the lead role in Sampson earlier this year in a Westben classic, drew the winning ticket. The winner was Marie Glover of Warkworth, which was the 88th ticket drawn in keeping with the Westben's Win 88 theme.

However, because Marie said she didn't have a room big enough to accommodate the huge six-foot-10 Kawai Grand Piano, she chose accepting $10,000 in cash. Although she does play piano, and has a piano in her home, Marie said she carefully measured the room but the big grand simply wouldn't fit.

What it does mean is that Brian Finley gets to keep the grand piano he is so familiar with and has been using to delight audiences in his various performances.

Exciting Moment

It was an exciting moment for Marie on Tuesday when she accepted the cheque for $10,000 from Westben's Artistic and Managing Director Brian Finley and Westben vice-chair Debbie Carswell.

On Saturday, while toes did get a little cold in the near-zero temperatures at The Barn, the wonderful Christmas music and humour helped make up for it. In particular, the audience enjoyed an appearance late in the program by Santa Claus, red suit, dark glasses and possessing a tenor voice that shook the rafters.

After singing several selections, including one to the ladies in the first row, Santa doffed his red hat and white beard to reveal himself as Mark DuBois, who then teamed up with Donna Bennett in a stirring duet that was riveting.

Other highlights included the appearance of the Two and a Half Tenors featuring Bill Reid, Lorne Hagerman and Tom Sharpe; solo performances from Wendy Richardson and Kim Coulson; a duet from the singing Sharpe brothers, Tom and Blaine; and the superb voice of Anthony Paton on a reading from Scrooge.

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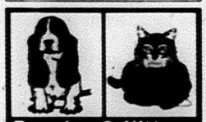

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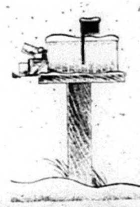

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Bantam Colts hitting stride

The combination of Warkworth and Campbellford players are playing their best hockey of the year and appear to be hitting their stride at just the right time.

It's been a tough grind for the coaching staff but the players all seem to be on the same page with playoffs just around the corner. The Bertrand Motor crew bantams have won three of their last four games and have been playing well offensively but more importantly they are showing good defensive skills.

The latest victory came in Brighton last Sunday as they built a 6-1 lead and coasted to a 6-4 win. Ryan Pope opened the scoring followed by Justin Latian, Jody Nicholas, Joe Louie, Nathan Beatty and Nolan Fife.

Minus three regulars for a Dec. 14th game in Lakefield, the Colts skated to a 5-3 victory in a hard-fought game. Mike Locke tied the score on a power play and later added his second of the game. Also scoring for the Colts were Cory Taylor, Steve Semenec, with Ryan Pope adding an empty net goal to seal the verdict.

A week earlier the Colts travelled to Lakefield and this was another excellent game for the local bantams, but the three games in as many nights was too much for them. Campbellford dropped a 3-1 decision to the Chiefs. Jody Nicholas had the only goal for the Colts.

Colts rebound

Recovering from a 4-3 loss to the Brighton Braves, the Graham Florist Novice A Colts went on to register victories over the Stirling Blues in Stirling and then journeyed to Belleville to trounce the Bobcats 6-0.

Colts outshot the Braves 22-11 but came up a little short in the home game. Goals were scored by Douglas Little, with a pair, and Jordon McEvoy.

On Dec. 14th in Stirling, Colts got goals from Kyle Newton, Douglas Little, Jordon McEvoy and Zach Patfield while the Blues managed to get only one past netminder Jason Gray.

Then on Saturday, Dec. 15th, Colts came up with a huge performance to win by a six-goal margin. Tyler Dunkley led the way with two goals while singles went to Zach Martin, Jake Locke, Kyle Newton and Douglas Little.

Hornets edged in B final

Douro - The J.J. Stewart Motors bantam Hornets were edged 3-1 by Ennismore in the B final of the Douro Dukes tourney Dec. 15.

The final was a tight match with the Eagles scoring an empty-netter with 54 seconds to ice the win. Norwood had a number of chances to score including three clear-cut breakaways but were foiled.

Scoring for Norwood was Philip Darrington on the powerplay, Alex Matthews assisted.

In their opener, the Hornets turned in one of its best games of the season to get by Lakefield 2-1. Matthews scored with 1:26 in the third frame to give Norwood the win. Kevin Gourley also scored in the third. Earning assists were Matthews, Gourley and Sam Chung.

In their next game against Douro, Norwood got off to a quick start but seemed to stop skating and the Dukes took advantage of this lapse.

The Norwood powerplay could only notch one goal, by Matthews, during the game. Also scoring for Norwood was Josiah Olver, from Sam Chung.

Scoring for Douro were Justin Kulla, with three, Luke Moher and Tyler Kerr.